

60 Minutes: Eyewitness Viewing Guide

Name _____

Directions: Answer the following questions as you watch the video. Preview the questions so that you know what you're looking for.

1. What did Jennifer do while she was being raped?
2. What signs were there, both during the picture and in-person lineup, that Jennifer may not have been certain about the perpetrator?
3. Do you think that all questionable cases such as this should be reexamined using DNA evidence? Why do you think they aren't being automatically tested using remaining evidence and new technology?
4. How would you feel if, like Jennifer, you sent the wrong man to jail?
5. Were you surprised that Ronald could forgive and befriend Jennifer?

6. Do you think that eyewitness testimony should be used anymore? If so, under what conditions? What value should it have in convicting someone?

7. Describe the process and time frame of *recognition memory*?

8. How did the officer's reinforcement shade Jennifer's choice? How should police protocols address this issue?

9. Why did Jennifer not recognize the actual rapist, Bobby Poole, when she saw him in court?

10. What role do you think race played in this case?