**Serial Ep. 1 – The Alibi Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Listening Comprehension**

Take notes as you hear the story unfold. Feel free to consult the transcripts posted online if you need help.

1. Who is the narrator? Why is she interested in this story?
2. What is the conflict? (Who is the victim? What happened to her?)
3. Who are some of the “characters?” (It’s a true story.) What do we know about each so far?
4. What is “the state’s case?”

**Critical Thinking**

1. What does it mean when someone is “loosey-goosey” with details? How is this different from “lying” or “committing perjury?”
2. The state portrays Adnan as “duplicitous.” Sarah and Saad phrase it differently: “We all grew up with that dual personality.” Do you agree or disagree that teenagers live one life with friends (or at school) and another with family (or at home)? Why/not?
3. What predictions can you make about this story? (Is someone lying? Who? How can you tell?)