

Shawshank Redemption

As you watch the film *Shawshank Redemption*, fill in the following chart and answer the questions that follow. The questions and chart do not necessarily fall in chronological order so be sure to read over the questions before the film begins.

1. Fill in the following chart with appropriate examples and characters from the film.

Incidents that demonstrate Power	Incidents that demonstrate Conformity	Incidents that demonstrate Punishment

2. For each of the main characters, briefly explain how they ended up in prison.

3. Give brief examples that demonstrate that Shawshank State Prison is a *total institution*.

4. List examples that demonstrate corruption within the prison

5. How is Andy Dufresnes able to make the system work to his benefit? What does this tell us about the justice system?
6. Some inmates of Shawshank State Prison actually want to stay there. Why? How has prison life impacted them?
7. Explain why the librarian, upon his release, intentionally destroys his life of freedom. Can you understand his actions? Explain.
8. In three to five sentences, explain what prison life has taught Andy Dufresnes?
9. In a well-organized paragraph, discuss Shawshank State Prison as a total institution. Your paragraph should be formal in tone and be a minimum of 150-200 words. Be sure to use appropriate examples to support all of your ideas.