

## **Anticipation Guide for *Suspense***

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**Before reading:** In the space to the left of each statement, place a check mark (✓) if you agree or think the statement is true.

**During or after reading:** Add new check marks or cross through those about which you have changed your mind. Keep in mind that this is not like the traditional “worksheet.” You may have to put on your thinking caps and “read between the lines.” Use the space under each statement to note the page, column, and paragraph(s) where you are finding information to support your thinking.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Suspense in a story is caused when a character is in conflict with another character or some obstacle to overcome.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ We read stories because we enjoy reading about conflicts.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Most authors actually do not know the plot in their stories until they write them down.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Story writers use many different techniques to create suspense.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Good readers use clues the author has presented to try to figure out information that the author is not telling the reader.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ When a reader identifies with a character, the reader might experience the same suspense as the character.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Suspense can be created by changes in the story.