The Shawshank Redemption

Viewing Worksheet

Complete the following questions as you watch the film.

The Beginning Scene(s)

- What happens to Andy DuFresne and Red?
- What do we learn of Andy's and Red's characters?

Introduction to Shawshank

• What do we learn of the nature of the prison? Give examples.

Degradation

• What does Andy endure in the first few years? Be accurate and specific.

The Rooftop Scene

• What do you learn about dignity, courage and hope from this scene?

The Library

• What does the library represent to Andy? Think about time, education, friends, music and hope.

Music

• Identify a scene where music is important. Explain how it is used and to what effect.

Minor Characters

- Using evidence from the film, explain the following peoples characteristics and say why they are important:
 - The Warden
 - Brooks

The Ending

• What happens at the end of the film? What message does it send to society?