

1. Why might someone be motivated to “tag” or graffiti a building or home? Think about social and peer pressures.
2. What is a victimless crime? Are there any?
3. Is graffiti a “victimless” crime? Why or why not?
4. What impact can a neighborhood cleanup have on a community? Could it be about more than just cleaning the streets?
5. Some offenders receive community service as a sentence for their crimes. Do you think this has the potential to rehabilitate offenders? Why or why not?
6. How are police officers most often viewed by the community? Do you think this is a true representation? If a negative representation exists, what can be done to change it?
7. What is a community organizer? What are their functions and responsibilities?
8. Think about where you live. Is there tagging in your neighborhood? How do you feel when you see graffiti?
9. Brainstorm a list of ideas that come to mind based on “graffiti.”
10. Some area businesses purposefully set aside wall space for graffiti artists to decorate and re-decorate on a regular basis. Do you think this addresses the problem? Part of the problem? Looking back at question 1, select from that list some of the solutions provided by having a designated area to “create.”

