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**“The Gift of the Magi” by O. Henry Anticipation Guide**

*Read each of the following statements. Then decide how strongly you agree or disagree with each. Explain your thinking in a sentence or two.*

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| SA = Strongly Agree A = Agree D = Disagree SD = Strongly Disagree |

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| Statements | SA | A | D | SD | Explanations |
| 1. A really special gift costs a lot of money. 2. Crying about something that you cannot have always makes you feel better. 3. *Important* items are those that are envied (wanted, coveted) by others. 4. I would give up something very important to me if it meant giving a gift to someone I loved. 5. I would change something about my appearance in order to give a gift to someone I loved. |  |  |  |  |  |

After reading/discussing, look back at your ratings and explanations. Discuss how your thinking has changed or been confirmed on one or more of the statements.