# *SUPERFREAKONOMICS* **CLASSWORK** QUESTIONS

**DIRECTIONS: Answer these questions fully, in complete sentences, and on a separate sheet of paper.**

1. What is problematic about creating an algorithm to detect terrorists?

2. What negative outcome could occur if everyone began to get regular health screens (even though health professionals encourage it)?

3. Based on the text, what characteristics would a terrorist have?

4. Why should suicide bombers buy life insurance?

5. Why is Sir Ian Horsley *not likely* to see the outcome of his work?

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1. Explain why the brutal murder of Kitty Genovese raised such serious questions about the seemingly limitless apathy of people in the United States.

2. Describe the behavior of crime rates between the mid-1950s and 1970.

3. Describe what was happening to arrests per crime and the rate of imprisonment over this same time period.

4. Summarize the extent to which such factors as changes in arrest and imprisonment rates and the postwar baby boom are able to explain the rise in crime you described previously.

5. Summarize the observed empirical relationship between television viewing habits and the rate of crime in individual cities.

6. Explain how watching programs like The Andy Griffith Show might at least partially explain the observed relationship.