

Prereading Questions for Selections in Chapter 21

“Second Chances, Social Forgiveness, and the Internet,” Amitai Etzioni and Radhika Bhat

- From the three phrases in the title, what do you think this essay will be about?
- After reading the first paragraph, ask yourself how the story alters or expands on your expectations about the essay’s topic. How might the Internet fit in?

“Abolish the Penny,” William Safire

- What do you do with the pennies you get back in change?
- What might happen to prices if pennies were abolished?

“Pull the Plug on Explicit Lyrics,” James Sturm

- Should middle school students have access to music with explicit lyrics?
- What can you tell from the title about Sturm’s view on the topic?