

Case Study Questions: O.J. Simpson

(Use reading, websites, & parents to find the following information)

What:

1. What do you already know about the OJ Simpson case and what is your initial opinion?
2. What was the accusation against OJ Simpson?

Who:

2. Who was Nicole Brown Simpson? Who was Ronald Goldman?
3. How was OJ Simpson famous before the murder case?
4. Who made up what was known as the "Dream Team?" Identify names and their roles.
5. Who was Mark Fuhrman and what role did he play?

When/ Where:

6. Time of Day and Year:
7. Physical and Geographical Location:

Evidence:

8. What was significance of the white Ford Bronco police chase?
9. How did the defense dismantle the prosecution's case against OJ?
10. What was the role of the bloody glove?
11. Was there any DNA evidence against OJ? Explain.

Outcome:

12. Legal outcome of case?

Reflections:

13. Generally, what was the reaction to the verdict in the African American community? White community?

OJ Simpson Case: Focus on Evidence

14. OJ Simpson's "Dream Team" of lawyers and forensic experts were able to raise serious doubts about the CSI work and analysis of evidence by the LAPD. Below is a list of some of the issues raised by OJ's defense team. Explain the errors that were made with more specific details.

Issue raised by OJ's defense	Explain errors that were made with more specific details
a) Issues with LAPD's photographs of crime scene	
b) Issues with unrecorded evidence	
c) Issues with photos of OJ in Bruno Magli shoes	
d) Issues with possible contamination of	

evidence	
e) Issues with how the bodies were handled	

15. In your opinion, are the issues raised regarding the LAPD's handling of evidence enough to warrant a "not guilty" verdict by the jury? Explain.

16. After studying this case, has your opinion changed? Explain.