**How Courts Work
Steps in a Trial**

**Judgement and Sentencing**

Answer the following questions after completing the readings:

Vocabulary

***modifications:*** returning to the courtroom
***execution of the judgment***: amount of money awarded to the party that suffered
***impose***: a claim made by the other party to offset the first claim
**uniformity**asked

1.  When does the decision of the jury actually take effect?

2. In what kind of lawsuit can the judge raise or lower the amount of damages in the settlement?

3.  Explain how an “execution of judgement” works:

4.  What happens in a “pre-sentencing investigation?”

5.  What are 4 things a judge may take into account in this sentencing investigation?

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6.  Under what exceptions does someone other than the judge determining the sentence?