**How Courts Work**

**Steps in a Trial**

**The Jury Pool and Selecting a Jury**

Answer the following questions after completing the readings:

Vocabulary

***compiled***: made
***presiding***: ruling over
**exempted:** left out (on purpose)
***stipulation of both parties:*** both sides agree to be true
***unanimous:*** all agree
**deliberations:** inquiring: asking
**voire dire:** latin for "to speak the truth"
***peremptory***: not open to appeal or challenge; final.
**impaneled:**  official selected as a juror
**premature:** without thinking it out

1.  What is a jury pool?
2.  How are jury pools created?
3.  What steps are taken to screen potential jurors who are unqualified or ineligible?
4.  How can a person be "exempted" from jury service?
5.  What size is the jury?
6.  Which cases use six jurors?
7.  Which cases use twelve?
8. Do jury verdicts have to be unanimous?
9. What happens if a juror is sick during the trial? (Be specific)
10. How are jurors "eliminated" prior to serving on the jury (what might cause this?)
11. How does a peremptory challenge work?
12. How many of these challenges does each side typically get?
13. Can you think of a reason why your lawyer might want to exclude someone from the jury with one of these challenges?
14. What instructions does the jury receive from the judge once they are sworn in as jurors?
15. Do jurors get a chance to ask the witness questions?