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## Anticipation Guide: Poe’s “The Cask of Amontillado”



**Directions:** Read each of the following statements and indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with them by checking the appropriate box. Explain your thinking in a few sentences. After reading “The Cask of Amontillado,” we will revisit these statements and, using specific details from the story, discuss how the main character, Montresor, might respond to them.

<b>SA = Strongly Agree</b>	<b>A = Agree</b>	<b>D = Disagree</b>	<b>SD = Strongly Disagree</b>
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	Statement	SA	A	D	SD	Reflection/Explanation
1.	Nobody attacks me and gets away with it.					
2.	If someone insults me, I deserve revenge.					
3.	I should always defend my reputation, no matter what the cost.					
4.	It’s okay for me to punish others as I see fit—even if it means taking the law into my own hands.					
5.	I keep my friends close and my enemies closer.					

6.	When exacting revenge upon an enemy, it isn't enough for him to just be punished—he has to know that it was me who punished him.					
7.	When exacting revenge upon an enemy, it's best to "hit him when he's down" or take advantage of his weakness.					
8.	When exacting revenge, I must not get caught; if I do, it's not as sweet.					
9.	A premeditated crime is worse than one committed in the heat of the moment.					
10.	Fear of discovery adds to my sense of guilt					
11.	Time eases a guilty conscience.					
12.	Guilt is relieved with confession.					