Name: Date: Per.:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ “The Lottery” by Shirley Jackson \*Text Dependent Questions- Answer in complete sentences and explain your answer with insight and textual evidence!

1. What topics/central ideas keep coming up throughout the text?

2. How do the people feel about The Lottery? What evidence do you have to support this?

3. What were signal words that show a change in the tone or mood (Cite page number/paragraph)? At which point did the mood (atmosphere) change or shift?

4. What was the author’s purpose in describing the black box so vividly (second page)? What might this black box symbolize?

5. What are the rules of The Lottery?

6. “He seemed very proper and important as he talked interminably to Mr. Graves and the Martins.” Based on the context, what does the underlined word mean? How do you know?

7. Determine the historical setting of the narrative. What evidence suggests that the time period was long ago?

8. What can you infer about the Lottery based on Mrs. Hutchinson’s reactions?

9. How do we know that this village is deep set in traditions?

10. What is ironic about the title of the piece, “The Lottery”?