



THE PACT

Post Screening - General Discussion Questions for Youth

- 1) What do you remember from the movie about the different doctor's lives - Sam, Rameck and George? What did you learn about their families? What they like to do? Their work?
- 2) Do the scenes you watched in the movie remind you of anything in your life – people or places you know? How did growing up in Newark affect the Three Doctors? Do you think your school or neighborhood affects what you do and the choices you make?
- 3) The movie is called 'The PACT' -- What kind of 'pact' did the three doctors form? How did that help them become doctors?
- 4) Despite growing up in the same house, Rameck was able to become a doctor, while Mecca, his sister, dropped out of high school. What was different for Mecca? Why do you think that so far she hasn't been able to succeed like Rameck?
- 5) What problems or challenges did the doctors face as teens? Did they make mistakes when they were younger? (e.g. when Sam ended up in juvenile detention center). How do you think Sam felt about being 'locked up'? How did that experience change Sam?
- 6) Rameck said when he was younger he thought he had to be 'big and bad' to get respect. Have you ever felt you have to act a certain way at school or to get along with friends? What can you do to handle pressure when others push you in ways you don't like?
- 7) Why don't more young men and women succeed like the Three Doctors? What are some obstacles around us that influence our success? Are there different things we can do to improve the situation?
- 8) Sam, Rameck and George chose to become doctors. Are there people you see in your own neighborhood or community that you feel are successful? Tell us about them - what they are like and what they do?

9) What are your dreams and what do you hope to be? What are the choices you can make now and what things can you control that will help you succeed?

(On forming your own Pact)

10) The doctors felt forming their pact was really important for achieving their success. Do you think coming together with a few friends or other people could help you succeed? What could you learn from each other?

11) How would coming together in a pact help you achieve your dreams? What would you focus on?

12) It is very important that you set goals. What are your goals for your pact? Are they academic or personal? What do you hope to accomplish in the short term? What will take longer to achieve?

13) What strengths do you bring to the group and what help do you need from the others? What do you feel you are good at - what qualities do you offer that can help your pact-mates?

14) Think about who would you like in your Pact. What kind of qualities are you looking for in your partners? What do you think would make a good team?

15) What support or help do you need to succeed? Who do you look up to in your life? A teacher? A parent? A friend? How can they help you when you form your Pact?

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