**Futures Forum: Just Lather, That’s All- Hernando Tellez**

1. A) Describe Torres' entrance into the barber shop.

 B) Describe the barber's reaction to Torres's entrance.

 C) What do these details reveal about each character?

 . When Torres entered he said nothing, and he didn’t greet him.

 . The barber was scared of Torres entrance and he was shaking.

 . Well the barber was not on Torres side therefore he was a rebel. Torres was a the leader of the town that killed people who were a rebel.

2. The barber debates whether or not he should kill Torres. Create a T-chart to highlight the main reasons explain why the barber should or should not kill Torres. Be sure to put a minimum of 3 reasons on each side.

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|  Why? |  Why not? |
| He would have to flee  | He could be a hero  |
| That would be murder  | All his problems are solved  |
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3. Torres` purpose in coming to the barber shop is not simply for a shave. What do you think the true reason for the visit is? Explain your ideas fully.

4. Discuss how the line Torres delivers as he leaves the barber shop changes your perspective on a) Torres` character b) the story as a whole?

5. Do you think the use of violence to bring about political change can be justified? If so, at what point does political violence cease to be justified? If not, how can political change be brought about if the party in power will not allow compromises?

6. We are currently living in a time of great political change. Using the Internet (online newspapers, magazines etc), research a current example of political instability in the world.

 Is violence being used by the party in power to control the people? Are other methods of control, such as a hostile police presence or forced taxes being used? Are there factions of people using violence to bring about political change? Are any groups using nonviolent methods like civil disobedience? What are the basic issues around which the conflict revolves? Be prepared to share your findings with the class. You may also want to discuss your discoveries in blog entry.