

Father's Day

(Director: André Hörmann, Germany 2020)



Worksheet

1 Before watching, match the following phrases from the film with their meaning.

infamous

I thought y'all would give up on me.

You are the real epitome of ...

You got us out of the hood.

That's every drug dealer's goal.

I wish you'd have always stayed on me.

I want to go pro.

recidivism rate

You found us a new home in a nicer neighbourhood.

known to be bad or dangerous

You are the perfect example of ...

I thought you would lose faith in me.

I want to become a professional.

quota of former prisoners who do sth. criminal again

That is what every drug dealer hopes to achieve.

I wish you would have kept motivating me.

2 Watch the first 35 seconds of the film. Describe how what you see and hear in the film makes you feel.

3 What do you learn about the film's protagonist, Destyne Butler Jr.?

Take notes in the following chart. Then discuss and complete your findings in your group.

Destyne's life before prison

Destyne's relationship with his family

Destyne's character

(Circle the adjectives which describe Destyne best.

Look up unknown words.)

calm

patient

persistent

aggressive

cheeky

relaxed

solemn

excited

indulgent

lazy

regretful

obedient

4 Choose one of the following tasks.

- A On the night before his release from prison, Destyne calls his father and asks him to pick him up the next day. Soon they end up talking about Destyne's time in prison and how it changed him, but also about their worries and hopes for the future. In a partner activity, write and present their conversation.

- B After his release from prison Destyne is finding it hard to find a new job because many employers hesitate to hire somebody with a criminal record. As Destyne, write a convincing letter of application for your dream job. In your letter, explain how your personal past has shaped you to be just the right man for the job.