CRITICAL THINKING
PATIENCE

Use the following critical thinking questions to help foster an open, student-led discussion on the theme(s) discussed in this episode of The Harbor.

1. **MIKE STARTS THIS EPISODE BY CLAIMING THAT PEOPLE TODAY ARE CONSTANTLY SEEKING INSTANT GRATIFICATION.**
   Do you agree with him? Why or why not?

2. **THINK OF THE LAST TIME YOU FOUND YOURSELF FEELING IMPATIENT.**
   What was causing the delay? How did you react?
   Were you able to calm yourself down and accept the delay?

3. **HAD AARON NOT SHOWN PATIENCE IN WAITING TO HEAR BACK FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA, HE WOULD HAVE MISSED OUT ON WINNING THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP WITH THEIR FOOTBALL PROGRAM.**
   Think of a story you’ve heard about someone who was persistent or patient and achieved a positive result.
   Describe what happened and the difference their patience made in the process.

4. **AARON SAYS THAT PATIENCE IS BELIEVING THAT THE RESULTS YOU WANT WILL COME LATER EVEN IF YOU AREN’T SURE OF IT RIGHT NOW.**
   List some examples of results you typically have to wait a long time for.
   What actions can you take while you wait for these results?

5. **MIKE CAPS THIS EPISODE BY SAYING THAT PATIENCE IS DIFFICULT AND THAT IT CAN COST US SOMETHING.**
   What do you think he means by this?
   What are some of the costs of being patient?