

# Dark Dialogue: Unraveled Truths — Documentary Analysis Worksheet

Instructions: Fill out by hand while watching the true crime documentary. Rate each category on a 1–5 scale (1 = weak/unlikely, 5 = strong/definitive). Transfer data to Google Sheets for weighted calculations (Factual Accuracy 35%, Evidence Quality 25%, Expert Credibility 20%, Ethical Integrity 15%, Production Quality 5%). Verify findings with primary sources (e.g., court records, news reports).

Scoring Guide:

- 1 = No evidence, highly speculative/unethical/distracting
- 2 = Weak evidence, questionable/biased
- 3 = Moderate evidence, plausible but unclear
- 4 = Strong evidence, well-supported/ethical
- 5 = Court-admissible, definitive/highly ethical/clear



#### Section 1: General Information

Documentary Title:		
Platform/Year:		(e.g., CBS, 2016)
Reviewer:		
Date Watched: 00:15:30)	Episode/Time Stamp:	(e.g., Episode 1,
Case Overview:		



#### Initial Impressions:

# Section 2: Factual Accuracy (35%)

Instructions: Evaluate how accurately the documentary presents case facts compared to verified sources. Note specific claims and their evidence.

Time Stamp	Claim	Evidence Cited	Accuracy (1–5)	Notes



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# Section 3: Evidence Quality (25%)

Instructions: List key evidence presented (e.g., physical, testimonial) and rate its strength/relevance.

Time Stamp	Evidence Type	Description	Strength (1–5)	Notes



# Section 4: Expert Credibility (20%)

Instructions: Evaluate experts' qualifications and objectivity based on their claims.

Expert Name	Role/Credentials	Claim/Statement	Credibility (1–5)	Notes
			(10)	



# Section 5: Ethical Integrity (15%)

Instructions: Note ethical concerns (e.g., victim exploitation, baseless accusations).

Time	Ethical Issue	Concern	Notes
Stamp		Level (1–5)	



# Section 6: Production Quality (5%)

Instructions: Evaluate production elements (e.g., music, reenactments) for clarity or distortion.

Time Stamp	Technique	Impact Level (1–5)	Notes



#### Section 7: Summary

Key Takeaways:



#### Average Scores:

Scored after completion, before show.

Factual Accuracy (35%):	
Evidence Quality (25%):	
Expert Credibility (20%):	
Ethical Integrity (15%):	
Production Quality (5%):	
Weighted Overall Score:	

Would You Recommend This Documentary? (Circle one): Yes No

Why?:

Additional Notes: