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| **Common Reading Project 2014: *Outliers***  “The Trouble with Geniuses,  Parts 1 and 2”  **Pre-Reading Questions** |

1. How might you determine whether or not someone is “a genius?”

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1. Can a person be a genius in one area of her life and have ordinary or below average intelligence in other areas? Why or why not? (Explain your reasoning.)

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1. What troubles might arise for a person who is labeled a genius?

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1. How might the “10,000 Hour Rule” relate to your concept of genius?

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1. Write down as many different uses as you can think of for the following objects:

A) a brick

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B) a blanket

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