Catch a Fire – Discussion Questions Modern World History Mr. Harvey and Mr. Krieger

Answer the following questions on lined paper or by typing your responses. Make sure you include your name and date on the top of the page.

- 1. In the beginning of the film, Patrick attempts to distance himself from the growing political movement against Apartheid. He refuses to listen to ANC radio programs, does not sing protest songs, and does not agree with friends who he thinks are becoming too political. Why do you think Patrick chooses not to get involved in politics?
- 2. During the film, we see many differences between Patrick and Nic Vos. What were some examples of personal and economic freedoms that Nic Vos and his family enjoyed that the black population did not have?
- 3. After Patrick was arrested, he admits to a crime that he did not commit. Why did he admit to the crime if he did not commit it?
- 4. Describe a time in your life when you have accused someone of doing something that you were not sure that he/she really did. Why did you accuse them and what was the result? If you have never accused some incorrectly, describe a time when you were accused incorrectly and how it made you feel.

