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7th Grade English

“The Monsters Are Due On Maple Street,” by Rod Serling

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Review Questions—*Answer in the space provided.*

A. Plot (Answer all five questions.)

1. What was the FIRST strange event on Maple Street?

2. What did Tommy suggest was happening? Why does he have this idea?

3. What event starts the neighbors blaming and suspecting each other?

4. What happens when the neighbors see a dark figure walking toward them near the end?

5. Who or what is actually responsible for initially setting the events in motion on Maple Street?

B. Thinking (Answer all five questions.)

1. Who are the “monsters of Maple Street”?

2. Are the aliens correct in their judgment of human behavior? Tell why or why not.

3. This teleplay shows what happens when a crowd becomes a mob. How does being in a crowd change the way people behave? What other examples from real life can you think of (examples of "mob mentality")?

4. What is the main theme of this teleplay, related to prejudice, tolerance, or intolerance? (The final paragraph gives the answer)

5. In what ways does this teleplay criticize human beings and human nature? Or does it more criticize the lives and society of the United States, not all humans?
