The Enrique Camarena Case
A Forensic Nightmare

Name _____________________________________________ Class _____________________

1. Who is Enrique Camarena? _____________________________________________________________

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2. Who is Capt. Alfredo Zavala? ___________________________________________________________

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3. What happened to them? _______________________________________________________________

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4. Under the heading “The Investigation”, what was the plan to solve the case quickly?

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5. How did this “plan” go wrong? __________________________________________________________

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6. What caused the death of Special Agent Camarena? _______________________________________

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7. What was wrong with the crime scene? _________________________________________________

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8. Were the Mexican government officials cooperative with the investigation or not? Why do YOU think they were or were not?
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Look over the crime scene drawing and the chart to answer the following questions.

9. List the different kinds of evidence found in this case (ex. Hair etc.)

10. By looking at the chart and crime scene sketch – what probable conclusions can you draw about the location and movement of Camarena and Zavala?

11. When was this case brought to trial? ____________________________

12. How long was the trial and how was it resolved? ____________________________