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Student notes for: After Being Convicted of Voting: A speech by Susan B. Anthony

Day: 4

1. Reread paragraph 1. The word *allege* means: claim or assert that someone has done something illegal or wrong, typically without proof that this is the case. What does Anthony's use of the word "alleged" tell us about how she feels about her indictment?

2. In paragraph 6, Anthony repeatedly refers to the government as an oligarchy. How is Anthony defining oligarchy?

3. Reread paragraph 5 and 6. Anthony states that this government is considered to be an oligarchy of sex for people who are denied the blessing of liberty. How does Anthony feel about having an oligarchy of sex?

4. In the final paragraph, Anthony states, "And I *hardly* believe any of our opponents will have the hardihood to say they are not." What is the impact of the word "hardly" on the tone of this concluding paragraph?

5. What is the impact of listing specific roles of men (fathers, brothers, husbands, and sons) and women (mothers, sisters, wives, and daughters)?

Focus question: What is the impact of Anthony's specific word choices on the meaning and tone of her speech, "After Being Convicted of Voting"?