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Literature and Composition II  
Nonfiction Unit  
What's Under "Under the Influence"?

**Directions:** Answer every question in a complete sentence.

1. As an adult, what is Sanders' view of his father's alcoholism?
2. What does Sanders blame his father's alcoholism on? **Identify specifics from the text and cite in proper MLA format.**
3. Why or why not do you think he is telling the truth?
4. Despite his harrowing depiction of his father's drunkenness, how does Sanders manage to create any sympathy for his father?
5. How do you think Sanders felt about his father **after** he died? **Why?**

6. Find **three** Biblical or religious references in the story. Only two may come from the “religion section” on pages 601-603.

Page Number	Biblical or Religious Reference <b>(cited in MLA format)</b>	What does it mean?

7. What seems to be Sanders’ attitude toward religion? How do you know?

8. What have been the lasting effects of his father’s alcoholism on Sanders himself? **Cite evidence from the story. This does not need to be cited in MLA format but should prove a specific reading of the text.**