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Garnet - AVID 11 **Little Brother, Chapter 6** Assignment 4-B

Marcus explains a business model used by razor blade companies as an analogy for how some corporations function. How does Marcus feel about "razorblade" corporations? Are all razorblade corporations bad? What are some of the recognizable technology companies Marcus mentions in the novel and what are his opinions of them? How do *you* feel about this?

Marcus has a deep understanding of technology, and uses his knowledge to "fight back" even though he is just one person against the government. An old expression states that "the pen is mightier than the sword," and an even older one contends that "knowledge is power". Is there truth in these sayings? Give an example in the real world of a time when you or someone else used their words or knowledge to fight back against difficult odds. Are there times when words or knowledge are not enough? What options do people have if the "other side" won't listen to reason? Use examples to explain your position.

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Explain your understanding of the First Amendment. Why is this important? How does it relate to the themes of the book?