

Student Name:

Summer Reading Novel:

Complete BOTH PARTS of this assignment:

Summer Reading Paragraph Response

Summer Reading Dialectical Journal

## Part I: Summer Reading Paragraph Response

Each of these books focuses on an individual who overcomes a challenging circumstance. Please answer the following questions related to this theme in paragraph form. Be sure to include all of the essential elements of a well-developed paragraph: topic sentence, supporting details, evidence from the text in the form of a quote, explanation of the evidence, and concluding statement. The boxes will expand to fit your response, so make sure you are responding to all parts of the prompt.

1. Describe the character or individual's challenging circumstance and explain how this character overcomes this challenge. How does the character grow as a result of overcoming this challenge?

Your Response:

2. In what ways can you relate to this character or individual or the circumstances that individual overcomes? Use specific examples and events from the novel in your response.

Your Response:

## Part II: Summer Reading Dialectical Journal



**Directions:** Each student should keep a journal of important quotations from their summer reading novel. Remember: This can be *any* part of the text, not just what a character says. Look for passages that seem significant, powerful, thought-provoking or puzzling. For example, you might record:

- ★ Effective &/or creative use of literary devices
- ★ Passages which illustrate characterization
- ★ Passages that remind you of your own life or something you've seen before
- ★ Suspenseful events or turning points in the plot
- ★ A passage that makes you realize something you hadn't seen before
- ★ Examples of patterns: recurring images, ideas, colors, or symbols
- ★ Events you find surprising or confusing
- ★ Excerpts related to the theme, or lesson, the text is trying to teach the audience

### Journal Model

↓**Most important part!**↓

Quote from the Text	Pg. #	Significance: Why is this quotation meaningful?
1. "She stopped. What was she going to say? I'm Jane Wellington. I'm from a rich family. I'm the Blanck girls' governess. I'm planning to go to college. I'm due a grand tour of Europe. What did any of that matter? Why was her life worth any more than anyone else's?"	301	Jane is thinking and talking to herself. She had been separated from Bella in the Green Street Stairwell and had tried to go over to the elevator. While the elevator door was closing, Jane began to state her status as a rich girl which would have entitled her to get into the elevator first, but she hesitates. Jane's thoughts show a huge theme in the story, the difference between the poor and the rich. I think Jane's message reminds us all that everyone is equal and deserves respect no matter what is in his/her bank account. All in all, her reflection is very powerful and really emphasizes the theme of equality vs. inequality between social classes.

***Remember: the cells will expand to fit your response.***

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