

# Summer Reading Quote Journal Instructions

Due Tuesday, August 12, 2025 by 11:59 pm in Canvas

<b>Value</b>	Each Quote Journal will be worth 100 points in the Assessment category of your English course.
<b>Assignment</b>	<p>Complete the required reading from your grade level reading list. For <b>each</b> text you read, complete a double entry journal of at least <b>10</b> entries. Because you will submit your work to CopyLeaks through Canvas, please type your entries and save them as a Google Doc. Please be prepared to submit the document on Tuesday, August 12. Your teacher will help with the submission on the first day of class.</p> <p><b>Please note:</b> this does NOT apply to the AP Literature poetry. There is an alternative assignment for those selections.</p>

<b>The left side of the page should have the following:</b>	<b>On the right side of the page, you need to do the following:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A quote that interested you, caught your attention, said something that captured a main idea of the text, or made you think. (Keep in mind this can either be a passage from the book or character dialogue.)</li><li>• After the quote, you should identify the speaker (either the narrator or the name of a character).</li><li>• <b>You MUST provide parenthetical page citations for your quotes.</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Briefly give the <u>context</u> of the quote</li></ul> <p><b>AND</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Answer <b>AT LEAST TWO</b> of the following questions <b>for EACH QUOTE</b>:<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. What strikes you about this?</li><li>2. What was your first thought when you read this? And then? And then?</li><li>3. What does this passage/idea make you think of or remember?</li><li>4. Do you want to challenge or qualify this author's claim? In what ways do you agree with it? Disagree?</li><li>5. What else have you read/heard/experienced that connects with this author's ideas?</li><li>6. Does something confuse you or lead to further questions? How do you feel about this?</li></ol></li><li>• <b>Your explanation should be at least 2-3 sentences for each quote.</b></li></ul>
<b>How you will be graded:</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The quality of the quotes you pick. Select quotes that you feel are important to the novel/text or are especially powerful. If you select randomly, you may not be able to give as meaningful a response.</li><li>2. The thoughtfulness of your opinions and explanations. I will be looking to see that you really tried to make connections between your quote and the rest of the novel/text—think theme or larger idea. (Do NOT just give a summary of the quote.) Instead, show me how this moment in the text made you think what you think, how it answers the question of, So What? Or So why? So what is this quote saying? So what is the significance? So why did you choose it? or, more importantly, so why did the author write it?</li></ol>	

