

English 1 Honors Summer Reading

Part 2

In addition to reading *Speak*, you are required to select a school and age appropriate novel of your choice (min 200 pages) to read over the summer. PLEASE CHECK WITH ME IF YOU ARE UNCERTAIN WHETHER OR NOT THE NOVEL IS APPROPRIATE. To prove that you read and to introduce you to the analytic methods we will be using to make observations about texts this year, complete the assignment below.

Complete 10 notes on the following types of observations within your novel:

- **Curiosities**- Things in the text that you find puzzling, intriguing, revelatory, or ambiguous
- **Repetitions**- Repeated images, words, phrases, settings, patterns, etc. in the text
- **Opposites**- Contrasts in the text like light/dark or good/evil, or characters or settings that seem to be in opposition
- **Links**- Connections/references to events/characters within the text (memories, relationships, objects) or outside the text (allusions/themes)

MAKE AT LEAST 3 DIFFERENT TYPES OF OBSERVATIONS ABOUT THE TEXT IN THE CHART

Observation Type	p#	Event in the text being observed	So what? Why is this significant?
<i>Example Curiosity</i>	208	<i>Algernon bites Charley. Algernon is acting “unusually disturbed and vicious.”</i>	<i>Charley and Algernon had the same operation. This could indicate that Charley will also experience a deterioration of his mental abilities</i>

