

In-Class Journal Prompts: Second Quarter

Responses to the following prompts should be included in your in-class journal.

November 9 (All Classes) - Consider the past quarter, and reflect on the course thus far to answer this two part question about the course and your progress to date. What is going well? What could be done differently?. Also, tell me what types of things you find to be easy (your personal strengths), as well as what you are struggling with (personal weaknesses)?

November 10 (Bridge Classes Only) - What is your all-time favorite word? Briefly explain your selection.

November 14 (*Creative Writing Class Only*) - What have you learned about poetry? Has your opinion of poetry from this unit thus far? Please explain why or why not. Be specific!

November 16 (*Creative Writing Class Only*) - Please explain why you think poetry is written? What do you suppose inspires someone to write a poem? What inspires you?

November 18 (*Creative Writing Class Only*) - Write a short story titled, "My Journey on a Pirate Ship". You and your friends can be the stars of the story (aim for one page).

November 28 (*Creative Writing Class Only*) - Think about your favorite book from childhood. What was the title of this book? Why did you like it so much? What do you recall about the storyline/plot of the book? Was there something about the characters that attracted you to the story?

December 2 (*Creative Writing Class Only*) - You are stranded on an island! What do your surroundings look like? Describe your experience on your island, and how you will survive. What does your day-to-day routine consist of?

December 6 (All Classes) - Consider and reflect on your performance in this class compared to last quarter. Are you doing something differently now that you were not doing last quarter? What do you suppose your grade is at present? What do you suppose your grade will be by the end of the quarter?

December 6 - pt. 2 (*Creative Writing Class Only*) - It's the end of the world!!! What does the end of the world look like? How did this happen? What does the world around you look like? How is it that you survived? Are there any other people left on earth? How do you know for sure? What will you do now?

December 8 (*Creative Writing Class Only*) - Please use the following sentence at the start of your response, and finish the story: "I was chasing a rabbit through the woods, and accidentally fell down his rabbit hole..." (aim for at least one page)

December 15 (*Creative Writing Class Only*) - Pretend that you are a superhero. What special powers/abilities do you possess? How did you acquire your powers? Do you use your abilities for good or evil? What does a day in your superhero life look like?

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