



Honors English I

Summer Reading Assignment (2024-2025)

Welcome to Honors English I! I am so excited to spend this year with you! Together, we will develop and hone your writing skills and foster your critical thinking through reading literature. Consider this assignment your first step in this process; these assignments and memoir lay the foundation for your grade and your work ethic in this class. **Do not put this assignment off until the week before school starts.** The goal of this assignment is to keep your brain active during the summer as well as hopefully help you think about your own faith!

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me. I hope you have a great summer! I look forward to meeting you!

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ASSIGNMENT

First, please purchase and read a copy of ***Same Kind of Different As Me* by Ron Hall and Denver Moore (ISBN: 978-0849919107)**. This memoir is written by Ron Hall and Denver Moore, who are two of the three main characters in this book. It's a true story of a rich Caucasian male and his wife who find themselves friends with a former-sharecropper African American male. It begins with each of their individual stories and quickly moves to how their stories collide. It is a story of seeing past differences to show the love of God to everyone regardless of their background, present situation, or race. Because parts of this book deal with sharecropping in the 1930s as well as race issues, there are a few instances of the n-word. Know that this word is used in a historical context and should not be used to describe anyone today.

While reading *Same Kind of Different As Me*, you are required to fill out the attached guided annotation chart. This assignment will be 50 points in the classwork/homework category. **You will type and submit a digital copy of this chart to Canvas on the first day of school.** You might want to consider marking in your book as you read and then completing each section of this document.

****Each chapter is written either from Ron's perspective or Denver's perspective. It would probably be useful to label each chapter as either Ron or Denver before you start reading.**

Denver's Chapters: 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 10, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 30, 33, 36, 41, 44, 49, 53, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64, 67

Ron's Chapters: 2, 4, 6, 8, 11, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 29, 31, 32, 34, 35, 37, 38, 39, 40, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 50, 51, 52, 54, 55, 57, 59, 61, 63, 65, 66, Epilogue (may not be in older editions)

GUIDED ANNOTATION CHART

Directions: Complete the following chart. Do **NOT** reuse quotes.

CHAPTERS 1-5	
Essential Question: How does our past affect our personality?	
Annotation	Quote from the Text
<p><i>Values</i></p> <p>List two ideas that the main characters seem to value with textual evidence.</p>	<p>Ron's Value: Quote: Page Number:</p> <p>Denver's Value: Quote: Page Number:</p>
<p><i>Literary Connection:</i></p> <p>Give an example from this section that reveals a personality trait of Ron and Denver.</p>	<p>Quote: Page Number: Ron's Trait Revealed:</p> <p>Quote: Page Number: Denver's Trait Revealed:</p>
<p><i>Text to Self</i></p> <p>Choose one of the following: **What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger? **What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge? **What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?</p>	<p>Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Text to World</i></p> <p>Explain a connection from this quote to an example from history, pop culture, sports, technology, or a current/historical event. Be specific.</p>	<p>Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Reflection</i></p> <p>How have these annotations helped you to answer the <u>essential question</u> for these chapters? Elaborate on your own answer to the essential question.</p>	<p>Explanation (at least 50 words):</p>

CHAPTERS 6-11

Essential Question: Why do people act certain ways?	
Annotation	Quote from the Text
<p><i>Literary Connection:</i> Give an example from this section that reveals Ron's and Denver's motivation (why they act in a certain way).</p>	<p>Quote: Page Number: Explanation of Ron's motivation (at least 25 words):</p> <p>Quote: Page Number: Explanation of Denver's motivation (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Text to Self</i> Choose one of the following: **What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger? **What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge? **What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?</p>	<p>Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Text to Text</i> Explain a connection from this quote to another work of literature or the Bible.</p>	<p>Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Reflection</i> How have these annotations helped you to answer the <u>essential question</u> for these chapters? Elaborate on your own answer to the essential question.</p>	<p>Explanation (at least 50 words):</p>

CHAPTERS 12-17	
Essential Question: How do other people influence us?	
Annotation	Quote from the Text
<p><i>Values</i> List two ideas that the main characters seem to value with textual evidence.</p>	<p>Ron's Value: Quote: Page Number:</p> <p>Denver's Value: Quote: Page Number:</p>
<p><i>Literary Connection:</i> Give an example from this section where another character influences a change in the personality or motivation of Ron and Denver.</p>	<p>Quote: Page Number: Explanation of Ron's change (at least 25 words):</p> <p>Quote:</p>

	Page Number: Explanation of Denver's change (at least 25 words) :
<i>Text to Self</i> Choose one of the following: **What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger? **What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge? **What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 25 words) :
<i>Text to World</i> Explain a connection from this quote to an example from history, pop culture, sports, technology, or a current/historical event. Be specific.	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 25 words) :
<i>Reflection</i> How have these annotations helped you to answer the <u>essential question</u> for these chapters? Elaborate on your own answer to the essential question.	Explanation (at least 50 words) :

CHAPTERS 18-28	
Essential Question: How do faith and friendship develop?	
Annotation	Quote from the Text
<i>Values</i> List two ideas that the main characters seem to value with textual evidence.	Ron's Value: Quote: Page Number: Denver's Value: Quote: Page Number:
<i>Literary Connection:</i> Give an example of a setting description in this section.	Quote: Page Number: Why did the author include the setting description? (at least 25 words) :
<i>Text to Self</i> Choose one of the following: **What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger? **What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge?	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 25 words) :

**What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?	
<i>Text to Text</i> Explain a connection from this quote to another work of literature or the Bible.	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 25 words):
<i>Reflection</i> How have these annotations helped you to answer the <u>essential question</u> for these chapters? Elaborate on your own answer to the essential question.	Explanation (at least 50 words):

CHAPTERS 29-39	
Essential Question: How do we react to hard situations?	
Annotation	Quote from the Text
<i>Values</i> List two ideas that the main characters seem to value with textual evidence.	Ron's Value: Quote: Page Number: Denver's Value: Quote: Page Number:
<i>Literary Connection:</i> Give an example of conflict within this section. Explain why this conflict was included in the story.	Quote/Paraphrase: Page Number: Explanation of conflict's purpose (at least 25 words):
<i>Text to Self</i> Choose one of the following: **What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger? **What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge? **What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 25 words):
<i>Text to World</i> Explain a connection from this quote to an example from history, pop culture, sports, technology, or a current/historical event. Be specific.	Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 25 words):
<i>Reflection</i> How have these annotations helped you to answer the <u>essential question</u>	Explanation (at least 50 words):

for these chapters? Elaborate on your own answer to the essential question.	
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CHAPTERS 40-41	
Essential Question: How do we treat people who are different than us?	
Annotation	Quote from the Text
<p><i>Literary Connection:</i> Give an example of conflict within this section. Explain why this conflict was included in the story.</p>	<p>Quote/Paraphrase: Page Number: Explanation of conflict's purpose (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Text to Self</i> Choose one of the following: **What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger? **What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge? **What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?</p>	<p>Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Text to World</i> Explain a connection from this quote to an example from history, pop culture, sports, technology, or a current/historical event. Be specific.</p>	<p>Quote: Page Number: Explanation (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Reflection</i> How have these annotations helped you to answer the <u>essential question</u> for these chapters? Elaborate on your own answer to the essential question.</p>	<p>Explanation (at least 50 words):</p>

CHAPTERS 42-55	
Essential Question: How do we recover from loss?	
Annotation	Quote from the Text
<p><i>Values</i> List two ideas that the main characters seem to value with textual evidence.</p>	<p>Ron's Value: Quote: Page Number: Denver's Value: Quote: Page Number:</p>
<p><i>Literary Connection:</i></p>	<p>Quote/Paraphrase: Page Number: Explanation of character's change (at least 25 words):</p>

Give an example that shows how a character has changed since the beginning of the book.	
<p><i>Text to Self</i></p> <p>Choose one of the following:</p> <p>**What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger?</p> <p>**What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge?</p> <p>**What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?</p>	<p>Quote:</p> <p>Page Number:</p> <p>Explanation (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Text to Text</i></p> <p>Explain a connection from this quote to another work of literature or the Bible.</p>	<p>Quote:</p> <p>Page Number:</p> <p>Explanation (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Reflection</i></p> <p>How have these annotations helped you to answer the <u>essential question</u> for these chapters? Elaborate on your own answer to the essential question.</p>	<p>Explanation (at least 50 words):</p>

CHAPTERS 56-65	
Essential Question: How does a place shape our personality?	
Annotation	Quote from the Text
<p><i>Values</i></p> <p>List two ideas that the main characters seem to value with textual evidence.</p>	<p>Ron's Value:</p> <p>Quote:</p> <p>Page Number:</p> <p>Denver's Value:</p> <p>Quote:</p> <p>Page Number:</p>
<p><i>Literary Connection:</i></p> <p>Give an example of a setting description in this section.</p>	<p>Quote:</p> <p>Page Number:</p> <p>Why did the author include the setting description? (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Text to Self</i></p> <p>Choose one of the following:</p> <p>**What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger?</p> <p>**What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge?</p>	<p>Quote:</p> <p>Page Number:</p> <p>Explanation (at least 25 words):</p>

**What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?	
<p><i>Text to World</i></p> <p>Explain a connection from this quote to an example from history, pop culture, sports, technology, or a current/historical event. Be specific.</p>	<p>Quote:</p> <p>Page Number:</p> <p>Explanation (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Reflection</i></p> <p>How have these annotations helped you to answer the <u>essential question</u> for these chapters? Elaborate on your own answer to the essential question.</p>	<p>Explanation (at least 50 words):</p>

CHAPTERS 66-67 (and epilogue if available)	
Essential Question: How can other's stories impact us?	
Annotation	Quote from the Text
<p><i>Text to Self</i></p> <p>Choose one of the following:</p> <p>**What personal memory or experience did this quote trigger?</p> <p>**What personal values or beliefs did this quote reinforce or challenge?</p> <p>**What new insights, ideas, or thoughts of my own were stimulated by this quote?</p>	<p>Quote:</p> <p>Page Number:</p> <p>Explanation (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Text to Text</i></p> <p>Explain a connection from this quote to another work of literature or the Bible.</p>	<p>Quote:</p> <p>Page Number:</p> <p>Explanation (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Text to World</i></p> <p>Explain a connection from this quote to an example from history, pop culture, sports, technology, or a current/historical event. Be specific.</p>	<p>Quote:</p> <p>Page Number:</p> <p>Explanation (at least 25 words):</p>
<p><i>Reflection</i></p> <p>How have these annotations helped you to answer the <u>essential question</u> for these chapters? Elaborate on your own answer to the essential question.</p>	<p>Explanation (at least 50 words):</p>