

## **Free Choice Summer Reading Circles**

### **Assessment Questions**

**Fall 2025**

These questions will help you prepare for your free choice read discussion group and help your English teacher get to know you as a writer.

**Your responses should be typed in MLA format, printed, and submitted to your English teacher on the first day of school or your first class meeting. You may want to print a separate, second copy to have during your discussion group.**

#### IF YOUR BOOK IS FICTION:

1. Identify the most important passage in the book and explain your choice in one paragraph. Your response should include a brief summary of the passage you choose, and it should incorporate two quotations that help you explain the passage's importance. Cite those quotations with parenthetical citations in MLA format.
2. Who is the most important character in the book, and why? In one paragraph, explain your choice, and explain how the character changes (or doesn't) throughout the book.
3. What is your takeaway from this book? Whether you loved it, didn't care for it so much, or are somewhere in the middle, explain what you've gained from reading it or how it has made you see something (big or small) a little bit differently.

#### IF YOUR BOOK IS NONFICTION:

1. What is this author's purpose in writing this book? In one paragraph, identify the central idea this writer tries to convey, and explain what sort of evidence or support this writer uses to get that idea across.
2. Identify the passage in the book that best sums up the author's purpose in writing, and explain your choice in one paragraph. Your response should include a brief summary of the passage you choose, and it should incorporate two quotations that help you explain the passage's importance. Cite those quotations with parenthetical citations in MLA format.
3. What is your takeaway from this book? Whether you loved it, didn't care for it so much, or are somewhere in the middle, explain what you've gained from reading it or how it has made you see something (big or small) a little bit differently.