One Pager

- 1. A one pager is a single- 8.5/11 page response to your reading. It is a way of making your pattern of your unique understanding. It is a way to be creative and experimental. It is a way to respond imaginatively and honestly. It is a way to be brief and compressed.
- 2. The purpose of a one-pager is to own what you are reading. We learn best when we can create our own patterns.
- 3. A one-pager connects the verbal and the visual; it connects the ideas in what you read to your thoughts. It connects words and images. The one-pager becomes a metaphor for the reading you have done.
- 4. How to do a one-pager. Make sure to do all of the bullet points below:
 - Choose one character, theme, tone, or aspect of the novel to focus on. Focus
 around a dominant impression, feeling or thought you have while reading.
 Don't try to do the whole novel. Write down 1-2 words as a central part of the
 one pager.
 - Use colored pens, pencils, markers and crayons for your words and drawings. Fill the whole page with art, color, and words. There should no blank space.
 - Create the one-pager so that your audience will understand a specific topic of the reading. Explain your thoughts, feelings, and understanding of this aspect.

Include:

- Use visual images, to create visual focus. Visual imagery should cover the entire page. These images should focus on the one topic of the novel you chose.
- Write down 5-10 single words that address the topic you are focusing on.
- Find two important quotations on your topic. Write them down. With page #.
- Ask two questions about the deeper themes or meaning of your topic.
- Include a paragraph response or commentary giving your opinion about your specific topic.
- Include the Title of the novel somewhere on the one pager.

5. What not to do:

- Don't merely summarize.
- Don't be restricted by the lines on the paper. Use un-lined paper.
- Don't think a half a page will do—make it rich with quotes and images.
- 6. Grading: full credit depends on completing the bullet points, getting to the deeper meaning, and overall image of the one-pager

