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*Uglies* Summer Reading Assessment 8H Ms. K. L. Silver

Students are to read and take notes on *Uglies*, by Scott Westerfeld, as directed below (see final page).

The summer reading assignment, *Uglies* by Scott Westerfeld, addresses the topic of utopias.  Many would argue that the society in which Tally lives is a Utopia, while others would disagree and say it is a Dystopia.  For **Part I** of this project, you will portray your opinion on this topic through a collage **and** respond to several questions.  For **Part II** of this project you will portray your personal concept of a Utopia through a collage **and** respond to several questions.

**Utopia** - a community or society possessing highly desirable or perfect qualities

**Dystopia** - a community or society that is in some important way undesirable or frightening

**ONLY THE COLLAGES ARE EXPECTED TO BE COMPLETED UPON RETURNING TO LAWRENCE MIDDLE SCHOOL IN SEPTEMBER**

**Part I: In your opinion, is Tally’s society a Utopia or Dystopia?**

1. Create a collage with pictures and words to display your answer to this question.

**Think about:**

* characters in the text
* technology
* how the society functions
* why the society functions in the manner it does
* chapter names
* roles of each character

**Requirements**:

* collage must be on paper that is **at least** 8 ½ X 11 (printer sized paper)
* the **entire** page must be covered - **NO** white space
* must have **at least** 10 pictures
* must have **at least** 8 words

***BE CREATIVE! NEATNESS AND EFFORT COUNT!***

1. Incorporate the answers to the following questions into 2 formal academic paragraphs **(questions 1 & 4 in one paragraph; question 2 & 3 in one paragraph)**.The formal academic paragraph format is attached.

For each question, use **CONCRETE DETAILS** **AND PARENTHETICAL CITATIONS--**direct quotations with (page number )--from the text to support your response.

1. Do you feel Tally’s society is a Utopia **or** Dystopia? Why? Explain.
2. Name 1 aspect of Tally’s society that you **like** and explain why.
3. Name 1 aspect of Tally’s society that you **dislike** and explain why.
4. In what ways do you feel our government and society is similar to Tally’s? In what ways do you feel it is different?  Explain.

**Paragraphs must be typed, double-spaced, size 12-font, Times New Roman**

**Part II: What does your Utopia look like?**

1. Create a collage with pictures and words to display your answer to this question.

**Think about:**

* government
* appearance of people
* day-to-day rules
* appearance of the community
* why certain rules may exist
* things that you like about our society now
* things you would like to change about our society now

**Requirements**:

* collage must be on paper that is **at least** 8 ½ X 11 (printer sized paper)
* the **entire** page must be covered - **NO** white space
* must have **at least** 10 pictures
* must have **at least** 8 words
* give your Utopia a name and have it **clearly displayed** on your collage

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**D.**Incorporate the answers to the following questions into a well-developed paragraph.

1. Explain the significance of the name of your Utopia.  How and why did you choose the name? How does the name connect to your Utopia?
2. List 5 rules that would exist in your Utopia.  **Explain 2** of those rules in detail.
3. **Explain 1** aspect of your Utopia that is important and why that aspect would draw people to your society.
4. In what ways is your Utopia similar to Tally’s society?  In what ways is it different?

**Paragraph must be typed, double-spaced, size 12-font, Times New Roman**

**Take notes on the following, with page numbers, as you read.**

*Uglies*, by Scott Westerfeld

**Themes**

Coming of Age: Identity

Coming of Age: Individuality

The Impact of Appearance

The Importance of Friendship

The Duality of Man

The Impact of Judgment

The Interaction between Man and the Natural World

The Importance of Truth and Betrayal

Memory of the Past for Understanding the Present and Predicting the Future

**Symbols**

The White Tiger Orchids

Hoverboards

The Heart-Shaped Pendant

Rusty Ruins

Scarred Hands

The Smoke

**Name Symbolism**

Uglyville

New Pretty Town

The Smoke

Youngblood

**Conflicts**

Man vs. Man

Man vs. Self

Man vs. Society

Man vs. Nature

**Characterization**

Tally Youngblood

Peris

Shay

David

Maddie & Az

Dr. Cable

Sol & Ellie

The Specials

**Misc. Notes**

Special Circumstances