Dear English 10 Honors Student: Please read this summer reading assignment with your family. If you understand and agree to the commitment of the course, please sign the form attached to the back of this packet, and return it to the summer reading box in the Guidance Department by June 12.

This is the first major assessment of the course, and failing to complete the summer work will have a serious impact on the Term 1 grade.

Academic Integrity: One of the goals of this course is to help prepare students for the rigor of college courses. Any form of plagiarism diminishes the educational impact of assignments. Students must submit their own work. Examples of plagiarism include (but are not limited to) directly copying another’s work, paraphrasing or quoting without providing the citation, and submitting another’s work as one’s own. Plagiarism will result in a 0% on the assignment.

Questions?? After careful review of the assignment, if you do not understand a part of it or if you have any other questions, please contact Mrs. Provost at provosta@dy-regional.k12.ma.us

If you need an additional copy of this assignment, you can find it on my website: www.MrsProEnglish.weebly.com

Due Date: August 19, 2015
To submit your work, you have two options:
1. Drop off your work in the main office, which is usually open until noon in August.
2. Send your assignment in the mail:
   Dennis Yarmouth Regional High School
   English 10 Honors: Mrs. Provost
   210 Station Ave
   South Yarmouth, MA 02664

Requirements:
1. Read Zeitoun by Dave Eggers.
   You may sign out a copy from me, purchase your own, or borrow from a library.
2. As you read, complete the Zeitoun Notes as you read. There is an assignment for each of the five sections in the novel. The assignment and rubric are contained in this packet. These notes are worth 50 points.
3. After you read, complete one Open Response Question. Be sure to read the requirements and the rubric before you begin writing. Your Open Response is worth 30 points.
4. Your notes may be handwritten on the worksheets, but your Open Response Question should be typed and double spaced.
5. During the first week of school, you will use your notes and Open Response to write a Long Composition about the novel. This Long Composition will be worth 100 points.
Zeitoun is structured in five sections, which are designated by roman numerals. As you read, you will take notes on each of the five sections. This means that you will always have a specific task on which you are focused. For the assigned task, you will provide quotes and explain each quote’s relevance. These notes are similar to the two-column or Cornell notes that you took in 9th grade.

1. For section I, you will analyze characterization. Before completing the worksheet that follows, read the information about direct and indirect characterization below.

**Defining Characterization**

**Characterization** is the process by which the writer reveals the personality of a character. Characterization is revealed through **direct characterization** and **indirect characterization**.

**Direct Characterization** tells the audience what the personality of the character is.

Example: “The patient boy and quiet girl were both well mannered and did not disobey their mother.”

Explanation: The author is directly telling the audience the personality of these two children. The boy is “patient” and the girl is “quiet.”

**Indirect Characterization** shows things that reveal the personality of a character. There are five different methods of indirect characterization:

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<td>What is revealed through the character’s effect on other people? How do other characters feel or behave in reaction to the character?</td>
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<td>Actions</td>
<td>What does the character do? How does the character behave?</td>
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**TIP #1:** Use the mnemonic device of STEAL to remember the five types of indirect characterization

**TIP #2:** Use indirect characterization to analyze visual media:

- **Film:** Look at how the character dresses and moves. Note the facial expressions when the director moves in for a close-up shot.
- **Drama:** Pay attention to the way that the characters reveal their thoughts during a soliloquy.

2. For sections II though V, you will choose a **theme** on which to focus, and take notes about that theme. Before completing theme notes, read about each theme below.

You may choose to track the same theme throughout the novel or switch your theme with each section.

**Themes:**

The role of the media during a tragedy: In our world, news is a 24-hour business. Journalists are supposed to report the news in an unbiased way, but media outlets can't operate without good ratings. This causes news channels to employ different methods to attract more viewers. Throughout this novel, our characters are suspicious of the media and the coverage of Hurricane Katrina. As you think about this theme, research Hurricane Katrina online so that you can see the media coverage and compare it to the Zeitoun’s perspective.
Themes continued...

The importance of home: The concept of home is something that is truly different for each person. In this novel, Eggers shows that “home” is the place with which you have a personal connection. It might not be where you were born or where you live now. As you consider this theme, think about the relationship between home and family.

The complexity of gender roles in relationships: Gender roles and expectations are different across cultures. In some cultures, the husband is expected to be dominant, while the wife is submissive. In others, the opposite is true, with the wife taking a more dominant role. Even more common in our country are relationships where the roles are more fluid. One partner may take the lead on some issues, like handling the finances, while the other is in charge of family meals. Religious beliefs also impact gender roles, as seen in the Zeitoun family. If you choose this theme, consider what you believe or know about gender roles and relationships.

**ASSESSMENT**

Each section is worth 10 points and will be graded individually.

Since there are five sections, your notes are worth a total of **50 points**.

The following rubric will be used:

**ZEITOUN NOTES RUBRIC**

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**Section I (pages 3-81): Triple Entry Character Notes**

**Directions:** Follow the directions in the boxes below to complete the Section I notes. Read the model response, and do not choose the same quotes for your responses. Be sure to find quotes from the appropriate pages and cite your quotes in MLA format.

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<td>“(Zeitoun) was firm, sure, but also just distracted enough to give them the room they needed, and just pliant enough to let himself be taken advantage of when the need arose” (Eggers 10).</td>
<td>“As [Zeitoun] entered the kitchen, seeing his daughters bow and curtsy and wave imaginary fans, he thought, <em>at least they’re not singing.</em> Pouring himself a glass of orange juice, he watched these girls of his, perplexed. Growing up in Syria, he’d had seven sisters, but none had been this prone to drama...it was Kathy’s influence, no doubt” (Eggers 7).</td>
<td>In these first few pages, Abdulrahman Zeitoun is characterized as a loving, but somewhat distant, father. He isn’t sure of how to interact with his lighthearted daughters, since he was brought up in a quieter, more serious, house. However, when Eggers states that Zeitoun is “just pliant enough,” it shows that he can be persuaded to join in the silliness, even though he may not understand their obsession with <em>Pride and Prejudice.</em></td>
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<td>“Kathy was exasperated, defeated. In the house, they were made to feel burdensome; now she was scolded for leaving. She vowed to herself to get through the night and think of a new plan the next day. Maybe she could drive to Phoenix to stay with Yuko” (Eggers 87).</td>
<td>With Zeitoun still in New Orleans, Kathy is trying to stay strong for her children. She spends her days driving around with the kids because her sister’s house is so overcrowded. Zeitoun is typically the pillar of strength in the family, but now she must take on that role. Without her partner, she is forced to make a difficult decision to temporarily move the family even further away from their father. Now that Zeitoun’s cell phone is dead, Kathy will have to learn to be even more independent, as she can no longer rely on Zeitoun.</td>
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**SECTION III (173-202): DOUBLE ENTRY NOTES - THEME**

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<td>Kathy is desperately trying to rationalize Zeitoun’s disappearance. She tells herself that maybe he just forgot to call her, like he forgot Nademah in her car-seat when they brought her home from the hospital. She would rather believe that Zeitoun is the stereotypical “forgetful man” than think about what may have happened to him.</td>
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After completing your double entry notes, select one open response question to answer. State your thesis (your answer to the question) in the first sentence of your response. Then, provide quotes and insight to support your thesis.

Your response should-

- clearly and completely answer the question
- contain at least four relevant quotes
- analyze each quote (by explaining how each quote proves your thesis/answers the question)
- be free of spelling and grammatical errors
- be about 1 - 1 ½ pages long, typed double spaced

Choose one question to answer for your open response.

1. In the notes about this book, Eggers explains that the book is based on the accounts of Abdulrahman and Kathy Zeitoun. What does the story gain by reflecting only the Zeitoun family’s view of the events? What might be lost in such an approach?

2. While the story of Zeitoun, immediately after the hurricane was one of peaceful meandering around the city, the media was focused on the hysteria. How do the media play a role in shaping the perception of a crisis?

3. Describe the relationship between Zeitoun and Kathy, in marriage and in business. How do they “work” together before and after the storm?

4. Why has Eggers woven into the story accounts of Zeitoun’s past in Syria, his upbringing, and his family relationships, especially with his brothers Mohammad and Ahmad? What effect does the framework of family have on your perception of Zeitoun’s character, his ethics, and his behavior?

5. Zeitoun takes the plight of the neighborhood’s abandoned dogs very seriously. Why do you think he feels such an obligation and connection to these animals? While Zeitoun helps the animals and people trapped in the flood, how does he feel about what he is doing? How does he think about these days after he has been imprisoned?
This rubric was adapted from the PARCC Scoring Rubric for Analytic and Narrative Writing.
English 10 Honors

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This copy is for your records.

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