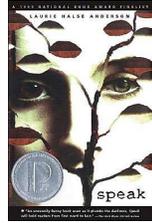


2018 Incoming 9th Grade Summer Assignment

Book Title: *Speak*

Book Author: Laurie Halse Anderson

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Your task is to read the book *Speak* by Laurie Halse Anderson. This is an amazing book, and we know you will love it as much as we do!

As you embark on this journey with Melinda, the protagonist, feel free to *stop and jot* notes/ideas/quotations that help you remember and reflect on key plot points, and your thoughts and reactions. When you have completed *Speak*, use your notes to complete the acrostic chart below.

1. Look at the letter that has been provided for you.
2. Look at the Key Concept.
3. Read the explanation for how to use the letter and the key concept in your answer.
4. Choose a word that begins with the selected letter to create an answer that addresses what you are being asked to think about.
5. Write or type your answers on the chart provided. If you choose to type in this document, make a copy in Google Docs for your own Drive. This is a **read-only** file.

Example  <b>T</b>	<b>Community</b>	Use and explain a word starting with the letter T to explain how community plays a role in your future.	Life is all about <b>TEAMWORK</b> . Even though we think we have the skills necessary to succeed on our own, we need friends, and family to help us consider the different outcomes our decisions can have. We need people to support and guide us.  <b>T is for TEAMWORK</b>
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If you do not know what certain words mean, look them up! If you have any questions about the assignment, work with your schoolmates to find answers! But, please be sure that your answers reflect your work, and your thoughts.

If you need additional support, please feel free to email Ms. Kopstein at [mkopstein@nredlearn.org](mailto:mkopstein@nredlearn.org).

Good luck and enjoy the book! We look forward to meeting you in September!

Title of the Assignment: Let Her Speak

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Letter	Key Concept	Explanation	Answer
<b>F</b>	<b>Personal Experience</b>	Using a word starting with the letter F, show and explain how a personal experience from your own life parallels Melinda's journey.	<b>F is for</b>
<b>R</b>	<b>Obstacle</b>	Use a word starting with the letter R to explain and explore an obstacle that gets in Melinda's way.	<b>R is for</b>
<b>E</b>	<b>Climax</b>	Using a word that starts with the letter E, find and explain the most exciting and more important moment from the END of the novel.	<b>E is for</b>
<b>S</b>	<b>Characterization</b>	Find S words to depict the personality of your favorite character from the novel. Use at least 5 words.	<b>S is for</b> <b>S is for</b> <b>S is for</b> <b>S is for</b> <b>S is for</b>
<b>H</b>	<b>Setting</b>	Use and explain how an H word is involved with the setting of the story.	<b>H is for</b>

<b>M</b>	<b>Point of View</b>	Using the letter M, explain the point of view that the author uses to tell the story <i>Speak</i> and how the M-word allows the reader to relate to the story.	<b>M is for</b>
<b>A</b>	<b>Changes</b>	Use an A word to change a moment of the story. Find something different that Melinda could have done but didn't. Share how this A word would have changed the story.	<b>A is for</b>
<b>N</b>	<b>Stereotypes</b>	Share and explain an N word, (school appropriate), that developed in the story and explain how stereotypes can be dangerous.	<b>N is for</b>

<b>Bonus Points:</b>	In the boxes below, share three lines from the text that symbolize Melinda's transformation/change over the course of the novel. Cite the quotation properly with the page number. Include a brief explanation of HOW the quotation shows transformation/change.	
	Quotation	Analysis
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2.		
3.		