***Huckleberry Finn* Double Entry Journal**

What is a double entry journal?

A double entry journal is a way to record information from a text and to reflect on and react to that information. You will need to do two or more entries per reading **as assigned.**

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| ***The left hand column*** of the journal is where you place the quote that you will be discussing on the right hand side. | ***The right hand column*** is where you record your reactions to the text. *This section should be in 1st person*. To do a good job on this, you will need to make it personal--no one else could write what you write.  |
| Include:* Quotation(s) w/page #s in MLA format
* Try to choose a quote that may deal with or can connect to one (or more) of the following:

Essential Questions: * What is "Conscience" and what is its value?
* What is the role/value of "sivilisation"?
* What does *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* teach us about what it means to be human?
* How do relationships change our views on race?

Themes:* Coming of Age
* Racism
* Slavery
* Hypocrisy of Society
* “civilized” society
* Education – both intellectual and moral
* Other themes you identify

Character:* Interesting insight into the character’s personality
* Changes in the character
* You can connect to how the character is feeling

Symbolism/Allegory:* Can you see a clear connection to something happening in the text and our own society?
 | Possibly Includes:* Immediate reactions to quote
* Reactions after learning new information about the topic (e.g., through discussions, further reading)
* **Possible sentence starters:**
* This quote makes me wonder why the author/character….
* This quote shows that the author’s writing style is…
* I noticed that the author uses…
* This quote makes me think about…
* If I could I would ask the character/author…
* This quote represents the main conflict in the book because…
* This quote represents a main theme in the story because…
* This quote made me realize…
* I wonder why…
* I found this quote interesting because…
* This quote reminds me of…
* This quote is important because..
* This quote was surprising to me because..
* In this quote, the author is saying…
* I disagree/agree with this quote because..
* This quote makes me think that \_\_\_\_ is going to happen next.
* This quote made me visualize the story because…
* I can connect to this quote because…
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Sample Double Entry Journal from “Walden” by Henry David Thoreau

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| **Quotations** | **Reflections** |
| "To be awake is to be alive." (287) | This quote makes me think about life. I think that you can go though your whole life asleep if you don't stop and think about what you're doing. It's important to make conscious choices, especially when you're my age. If you are not making conscious decisions you may just be going through the motions of life, but not really living it. This quote really inspires me to make more of those conscious choices in my life and to be look at life with my eyes wide open more often. |
| "I should not talk so much about myself if there were anybody else whom I knew as well. Unfortunately, I am confined to this by the narrowness of my experience." (290) | I disagree with what Thoreau says here. I think that you can know another person as well as you know yourself. I know my best friend as well as I know myself. Sometimes, I don't think I know myself well at all. Sometimes I do things that surprise me, and probably other people around me. I think that maybe it is easier to know someone else better than yourself because it is scary to be introspective. When one sits and thinks about who they are for too long, it is not meditative experience, but almost depressing. I mean, we are only human, who knows why we are motivated to do certain things. |
| "Say what you have to say, not what you ought. Any truth is better than make-believe." (296) | This quote reminds me of time in my life when I had to tell the truth, even though it was very difficult. Sometimes it is difficult to tell the truth because you don't want to hurt a person's feelings or because it's hard for you to admit something. It was hard for me to tell my dad that I didn't want to go to the same college he did, but I was glad that I told him afterwards. The truth should always prevail. |

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Chapter One

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| Quote #1: | Response½ page response to the quote:Use sentence startersConnect to self, society, life, the book, other texts you have read etc… |
| Quote #2:  | Response |