

Answer the following questions in a Google Doc. The first day of class you will receive a code to join my Google Classroom and you will be able to transfer your work during class. **DO NOT COPY from any of the many study guides found online. Remember, this work is my first impression of you.**

I. Write your answers in your own words. For each answer, also include text support in the form of direct quotations from the novel, citing author and page number.

1. This novel is considered a *bildungsroman*, or a novel that deals with the growth and development of a young person. Explain how it fits this definition.
2. Explain how Huck's perception of Jim as a person changes as the story progresses.
3. The novel is presented in *episodes*, self-contained stories with their own conflicts and resolutions, which are divided by Huck's and Jim's travels on the river. Which episode was your least favorite? Explain why.
4. As the episodes progress, what seems to set apart the experiences on land and on the river?
5. What is one threat that Huck and Jim face?
6. What purpose do the characters the Duke and King serve? Do you ever get tired of their presence in the story?
7. What purpose does Tom Sawyer serve in the story? Do you ever get tired of HIS presence in the story?
8. Twentieth century writer Ernest Hemingway commented "All modern American literature comes from one book by Mark Twain called *Huckleberry Finn*." What makes this novel so great that it influenced literature into the next century?
9. Do you think that this novel, which was written during the late 1800's, is relevant today? Why or why not?
10. What do you think Huck will do next?