English III Honors Summer Reading Questions *The Road*, Cormac McCarthy Vic Morlas

The answers to these questions should be turned in on the first day of class. Answers must include the minimum number of words indicated after each question.

- 1. Why is the setting pivotal to the understanding of the novel? (35 words)
- 2. Discuss and explain the decision of the boy's mother not to join the journey. Why does she make this choice? (35 words)
- 3. Describe the man's and the boy's first encounter with road agents. How do they survive the confrontation? (30 words)
- 4. What do you think the boy's father expected to find at the end of the journey? (25 words)
- 5. The symbol of "light" is imperative to understanding the novel. Why is "light" so important? (30 words)