

**Summer Reading**  
11 Standard: Extra Credit

*When I Was Puerto Rican*  
By Esmeralda Santiago

*A Time to Kill*  
By John Grisham

*Seabiscuit*  
By Laura Hillenbrand

To receive extra credit in your 11 General class,

- Choose one novel above, and
- Read the book.
- Print the following page of questions.
- As you read, answers the questions in two or three complete sentences.
- Turn in the sheet with answers to your English teacher on the first day of school. There is no further requirement and no test.

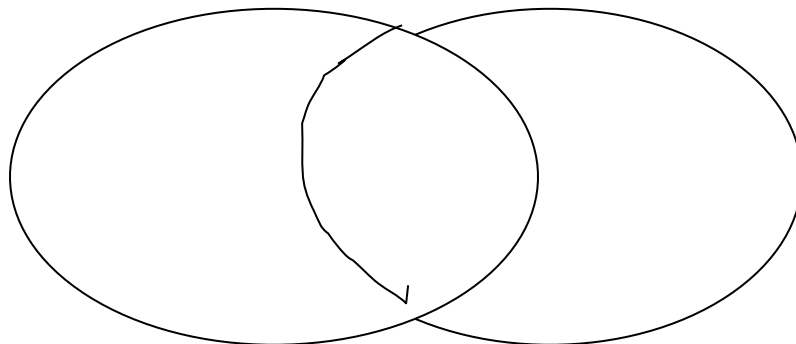
Name of 11 General Student \_\_\_\_\_  
Period of English Class \_\_\_\_\_ Semester 1 \_\_\_ Semester 2 \_\_\_

1. Name one character and give an example of that character showing the trait of honesty, responsibility, or tolerance.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. What could that same character have done differently to set a better example of cooperation, caring, or friendship?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. If you had been that character, how would you have responded to the situation in question #2?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. What is a "moral" or lesson of the story?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. How does this lesson apply to your own life?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. In what way does the main character change from the beginning to the end of the story?

7. What conflict does the main character face that leads to this change?
8. Connect the qualities of one character in the story to a historical person you have read about or know:
9. What qualities do you share with the main character?
10. How are you different from the main character?
11. If you could change the ending of the book, how would you change it?
12. List one word from each chapter that you had to guess the meaning of:

<b>Chapter &amp; page</b>	<b>Word</b>	<b>Guessed meaning</b>	<b>Chapter &amp; page</b>	<b>Word</b>	<b>Guessed meaning</b>
1			7		
2			8		
3			9		
4			10		
5			11		
6			12		

13. Compare and contrast two of the characters in the novel using the following Venn diagram:



14. What is your favorite part of the book?