

Pre-Meeting Reflection Work

Title:	<i>The Gospel According to Larry</i>	Author:	Janet Tashjian	Chapters Read:	3 and 4
Question Creator: Write 2 questions to discuss with your group.			Write your thoughts on your questions.		
1.How will Josh fake his death?			1. I think that he'll make a extremely thought out plan to make this happen. I think he'll start by writing a suicide note posting on his website or some other form of communication on the internet. Next I think he will runaway from home thus, the police will just think that they just can't find the body. He may have to forge a a new identity and change parts of his body thus he looks different from Josh.		
2. How do people view Larry now that they know he is only 17?			2. I believe it really depend on the person. I think some people will think of him as a prodigy or a young genius. Other people might view him as being inexperienced and think of him of less than an idealistic and think that he'll eventually give up. However, I think this will most likely improve his image since he may be seen to a have achieved so much at the age of seventeen.		
Passages: Pick one passage that you think is especially important. Paste it here.			Why did you pick this passage? What makes it so important?		
<p>"I can't help it if we live in a culture that worships people just for being famous."</p> <p>Excerpt From The Gospel According to Larry (The Larry Series) Janet Tashjian This material may be protected by copyright.</p>			<p>I picked this passage because I believe that in the modern age we worship famous people a great deal. People make reference about them in movies, know the backstory of the celebrity, have pictures of famous person on a shirt or maybe on a poster in their bedroom. We treat celebrities or a famous person like some sort of God even if they don't want to be treated that way or may be a terrible person in reality. Famous people are just people like you and me who got famous for extremely working hard and taking risks for their passion.</p>		
Connector: Connect (or compare) what you have read to your life in some way.					

I can connect to that part of the book during the festival. I have additionally been to many festivals all over the world and I have always extremely enjoyed them. I love eating all the ice cream, cool drink and just sugary food in general. I also deeply take pleasure from trying out all the fresh meat, bread and other homemade recipes. I additionally highly relish when bands play live music at the festival. Moreover I really like playing games or winning fun little toy prized during festivals. One of my most favourite festivals I went to was this Halloween festival in New Orleans. In this festival they come in these Halloween floats and would throw candy to the audience. I hope to go to more fun and exciting festivals in the future.

Character: Write an adjective that describes Josh in this section of the book. Then, write an adjective that describes Larry in this section of the book.

Explain, using the reading from this week, how you know it's a good adjective to describe Josh. Then, explain why it is the same or different than the adjective you chose to describe Larry.

I would describe Josh in this book as jumbled. I think this because in this chapter of the book his life fall apart. Beth leaves him right when he finds out she had a crush on him since ninth grade. His father additionally feels animosity toward him for making him lose for of his biggest clients. He also being exploited by major cooperations by using him ins their advertisement, asking him about questions totally unrelated to Larry's philosophy and selling him like a product. Overall by the end of the parts he his life has fallen a part.

I would described Larry in this book as being influencing. I don't mean this in the anti-advertisement way. Once people know the truth about Larry they use him to advertise to people their products. For instance the Mountain Dew banner or the women from Coca-Cola. Larry is being used to influenced people to buy a companies product now that he is much more famous because the media now know his identity. In general, I'm extremely excited to see how Josh goes about solving this issue.

Vocabulary: Pick one word from the reading that you didn't know or that you think your classmates won't know. Write it, look up its definition, write the definition in your own words, and write the sentence where you found the word.

Word:cynicism

What the word means (in my own words):

To think that all people are motivated by personal-gain.

Sentence where I found the word: "We did it without ***cynicism*** and apathy"

Investigate: Choose something from this section of reading that you found interesting and find more information on it. Record the information here.

Topic: U2

Sources:

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/U2>

<https://www.u2.com/band>

Summary of Information (in your words):

For this worksheet I researched about the band U2. This band was mainly a Irish post punk band and was one of the most popular band on Earth by the 1980s. The talented musicians in this band are Singer Bono also known as Paul Hewson, Guitarist/keyboardist, additionally known as The Edge, David Evans, Drummer Larry Mullen Jr and finally Bassist Adam Clayton. This band started with Larry Mullen made an add in Dublin Temple Mound School for anyone who wanted to be in a band. They rehearsed their songs in Larry's Dublin kitchen. They were first called themselves as Feedback the it became The Hype and it then finally became U2. Most of their first songs are described as spiritual and they additionally used their music to comment about social and political issues. Made one of their first first works, the U23 Ep on CBS in 1979. They created O'clock Tick-Tock, their first single in May 1980. Five months later they made their album Boy and then I Will Follow. A year later they produce War which became number one album in UK. War had song many popular songs like New Year's Day, Two Heart Beat as One, Under A Blood Red Sky. Their next album, The Unforgettable Fire, had one of U2 most popular song Pride(In the Name of Love) however, had a great deal of backlash. In 1987 released their most popular album, Joshua Tree, with famous songs as I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For which went on number one of United States singles chart. The Joshua Tree album sold more than 20 million copies in 1987. They additionally won the 1987 Grammy Award Album of the year and Best Rock performance from Joshua Tree. They experimented with their material by creating Achtung Baby which included heavy use of electronic and disco music. During 1997 U2 hurried to publish their Pop album however, the album had the worst review since Rattle and the Hum(another one of their albums). Cause of these reviews they attempted make their music seem like music from their older albums. This consist of That You Can't Leave Behind and How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb in the early 2000s. The band took their time with creating their 12th album, No Line on the Horizon on 2009. Their latest album is the 2017 Song of Experience album. Overall, U2 was a wildly successful band that started as some kid playing in a kitchen.