



## RCTCM Summer Writing Prompt

Reading comes alive when we recognize how the ideas in the text connect to our experiences and beliefs, events happening in the larger world, our understanding of history, and our knowledge of other texts. “Text-to-Text, Text-to-Self, Text-to-World” is a strategy that helps develop the habit of making these connections. In an essay, provide a synopsis of the novel and discuss what connections you made.

**Be sure to address each connection**

1. **Text-to-Text**
2. **Text-to-Self**
3. **Text-to-World**

in length and provide textual evidence from the novel for each connection. The essay should be between three to five pages typed, double space, in Times New Roman 12 point font, and it is due August 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Text-to-Text-** How does the novel relate to some other literature you may have read? This can include a song, a poem, or another novel.

**Text-to-Self-** How does the novel relate to your own life? What kind of experiences or feelings do you share with the characters in the novel? What similarities or differences do you notice between your life and that of the people or situations in the novel?

**Text-to-World-** How does the novel relate to what you know of history? Is there a situation that the novel has in common with something happening in the world now?

# Reading changes your *Experiences*