

Crispin Summer (2009) Reading Assignment

Consider the characters of this novel. For every protagonist (hero) there must be an antagonist (villain). In a short paragraph (4 - 6 sentences) answer the following questions: Which character do you consider a hero? Why? Which character do you consider a villain? Why? What actions does each character perform that he/she is a hero? A villain? What characteristics prove that he/she is hero? A villain? Use examples from the text.

Crispin is a story of discovering destiny. In a short paragraph (4 - 6) answer the following questions: What does destiny mean? What does it mean to discover one's destiny? What might one do to discover destiny? What might one do to achieve destiny? And, having discovered it, what might one do to fulfill destiny?

Crispin's author is explicit in setting the events of the story in England during 1377 A.D. Construct a timeline of events using the text as both a reference and a guide. Your timeline should include at least eight (8) events from the text; you may include more.

Consider the events of the story in relation to each other. Which events had the largest impact on the outcome of the story? On the character of Crispin? How might you determine dates? In months? In years? Does the text help you to determine such dates? Does Crispin hint at such dates?

Use pictures and words to complete your timeline. Be clear; use the text. Cite the chapter from which you draw information.

(Example: Crispin is born - 1 September 1363 A.D. - Chapter 3)

(Example: Crispin buries his mother - 1377 A.D. - Chapter 1)

Assemble this timeline upon your poster board.

Choose three (3) characters from the text and construct a character chart. List three (3) pieces of description from the text for each character you choose and place these descriptions beneath your illustrative interpretation of each character.

Include these character charts upon your poster board.