Summer Reading Assignment – Grade 9

Perelandra by C.S. Lewis

- 1. Why is the narrator going to see his friend Ransom?
- 2. What is the narrator thinking as he walks to Ransom's cottage?
- **3.** Why doesn't the narrator have anything to carry as he walks to Ransom's cottage?
- 4. Why isn't Ransom home to greet the narrator?
- **5.** How does the narrator describe the object he sees in Ransom's house?
- **6.** Why does Lewis struggle when he walks to Ransom's home?
- **7.** How will Ransom get to Perelandra?
- **8.** Why does Ransom believe he is being sent to Perelandra?
- 9. How does Ransom describe the sea when he first is aware of it?
- **10.** Describe the thunderstorm.
- 11. Why doesn't Ransom eat two of the yellow fruits?
- **12.** Just before twilight, what does Ransom see?
- 13. What does Ransom see when he wakes in Chapter 4?
- 14. What does Ransom wonder about mythology?
- 15. What are bubble-trees?
- 16. How does Ransom make friends with the dragon?
- **17.** What type of bird wakes Ransom in Chapter 5?

- **18.** What does Ransom see when he gets up and looks around in Chapter 5?
- 19. What does the Green Lady know about other worlds?
- **20.** Why are there different creatures in the ancient worlds?
- **21.** At the beginning of Chapter 6 after the Lady is out of sight, what does Ransom have the urge to do?
- **22.** What are the rules about the fixed land on Perelandra?
- **23.** How do Ransom and the Green Lady get to the Fixed Land?
- **24.** What did the Green Lady name Ransom after?
- 25. Why doesn't Ransom leave the fixed land with the Lady?
- **26.** What supplies has Weston brought?
- **27.** What happens when Weston states that he calls the Force into himself completely?
- **28.** In Chapter 8, why is it so important to Ransom that he find Weston?
- 29. What does Ransom find to eat in Chapter 8?
- **30.** What are some of the creatures that Ransom sees when he rides a sliver fish in Chapter 8?
- **31.** How does Ransom feel when he finds the injured frogs?
- 32. How are the frogs injured?

- **33.** In Chapter 9, what happens when Ransom attempts to move toward Weston?
- **34.** What does Ransom decide has happened to Weston?
- **35.** What image does Ransom see emerging from the stories told by the Un-man?
- **36.** During the rainstorm, what does Ransom see when lightning flashes?
- **37.** How do the sleep needs of Ransom, the Lady, and the Un-man vary?
- **38.** What are some of the things the Un-man does when the Lady dismisses him from her presence?
- **39.** Why does Ransom realize that he is a miracle?
- **40.** In what way is Ransom a stone that determines the course of a river?
- **41.** How is Ransom able to rest without worrying about the Enemy at the end of Chapter 11?
- **42.** In Chapter 12, why wouldn't the Lady call Ransom Piebald any longer?
- **43.** What does Ransom discover as he searches the island for Unman in Chapter 12?
- **44.** What does Ransom do when the Un-man escapes the island?
- **45.** What does Ransom see at the beginning of Chapter 13 as he rides the fish?
- **46.** How does Ransom feel after he eats some seaweed?

- **47.** What does Ransom see when his thoughts are interrupted by a voice in Chapter 13?
- **48.** How does Ransom try to kill the Un-man at the beginning of Chapter 14?
- **49.** What does Ransom do as he waits for dawn in Chapter 14?**50.** How does Ransom finally kill the Un-man?
- **51.** After Ransom's long sleep in the fire-lit cave, how does he feel?
- **52.** When Ransom finally ends his subterranean journey, why does he think he is on a high mountain?
- **53.** What does the creature look like that Ransom stalks in order to find out what is singing?
- **54.** How is Ransom described by the eldila?
- **55.** How does Ransom know that one of the eldila is the Oyarsa of Malacandra?
- **56.** How did Perelandra create Venus?
- **57.** How does Ransom explain what Perelandra will do that day?
- **58.** Why does the King thank Perelandra?
- **59.** Where does the King wish Perelandra to stay now that he and the Queen have awakened and why?
- **60.** Where did the beasts go after the conversation between the King, Queen, Ransom and the eldila?

Provide your thoughts, observations on Perelandra