

Critical Listening: Podcasts

Name _____ Podcast Title _____
Producer(s) _____ Narrator(s) _____

This assignment is designed to help you think about each section of the text (e.g., article, podcast, video) individually, and to consider how each contributes to the overall text. **Please answer the questions below for each section, and then fill out the accompanying bubble sheet with a summary of each section in each bubble. After completing the bubble you will write a one paragraph summary of the text, followed by a 1-3 sentence thesis statement.**

Listen to a preview of the podcast /episode if available:

What do you expect to learn from this podcast?

What do you expect the central conflict might be?

What questions do you have that you hope the episode will answer?

Next you will read the article section by section, and answer the questions as you go.

Section 1

Time stamp at the beginning _____ Time stamp at the end _____

Summarize what you learned in this section:

How might this relate to the central purpose of the podcast?

What evidence did the producer(s) or narrator(s) present to illustrate their main points?

Section 2

Time stamp at the beginning _____ Time stamp at the end _____

Summarize what you learned in this section:

How might this relate to the central purpose of the podcast?

What evidence did the producer(s) or narrator(s) present to illustrate their main points?

Section 3

Time stamp at the beginning _____ Time stamp at the end _____

Summarize what you learned in this section:

How does this relate to the central purpose of the podcast?

What evidence did the producer(s) or narrator(s) present to illustrate their main points?

Section 4

Time stamp at the beginning _____ Time stamp at the end _____

Summarize what you learned in this section:

How might this relate to the central purpose of the podcast?

What evidence did the producer(s) or narrator(s) present to illustrate their main points?

Section 5

Time stamp at the beginning _____ Time stamp at the end _____

Summarize what you learned in this section:

How might this relate to the central purpose of the podcast?

What evidence did the producer(s) or narrator(s) present to illustrate their main points?

Section 6

Time stamp at the beginning _____ Time stamp at the end _____

Summarize what you learned in this section:

How does this relate to the central purpose of the podcast?

What evidence did the producers/narrators present to illustrate their main points?

Section 7

Time stamp at the beginning _____ Time stamp at the end _____

Summarize what you learned in this section:

How does this relate to the central purpose of the podcast?

What evidence did the producers/narrators present to illustrate their main points?

Section 8

Time stamp at the beginning _____ Time stamp at the end _____

Summarize what you learned in this section:

How does this relate to the central purpose of the podcast?

What evidence did the producers/narrators present to illustrate their main points?

Conclusion

What do you think the producers wanted you to conclude from this episode and how do you know this was their intention?

What did you learn from this episode that differed from your original expectations?

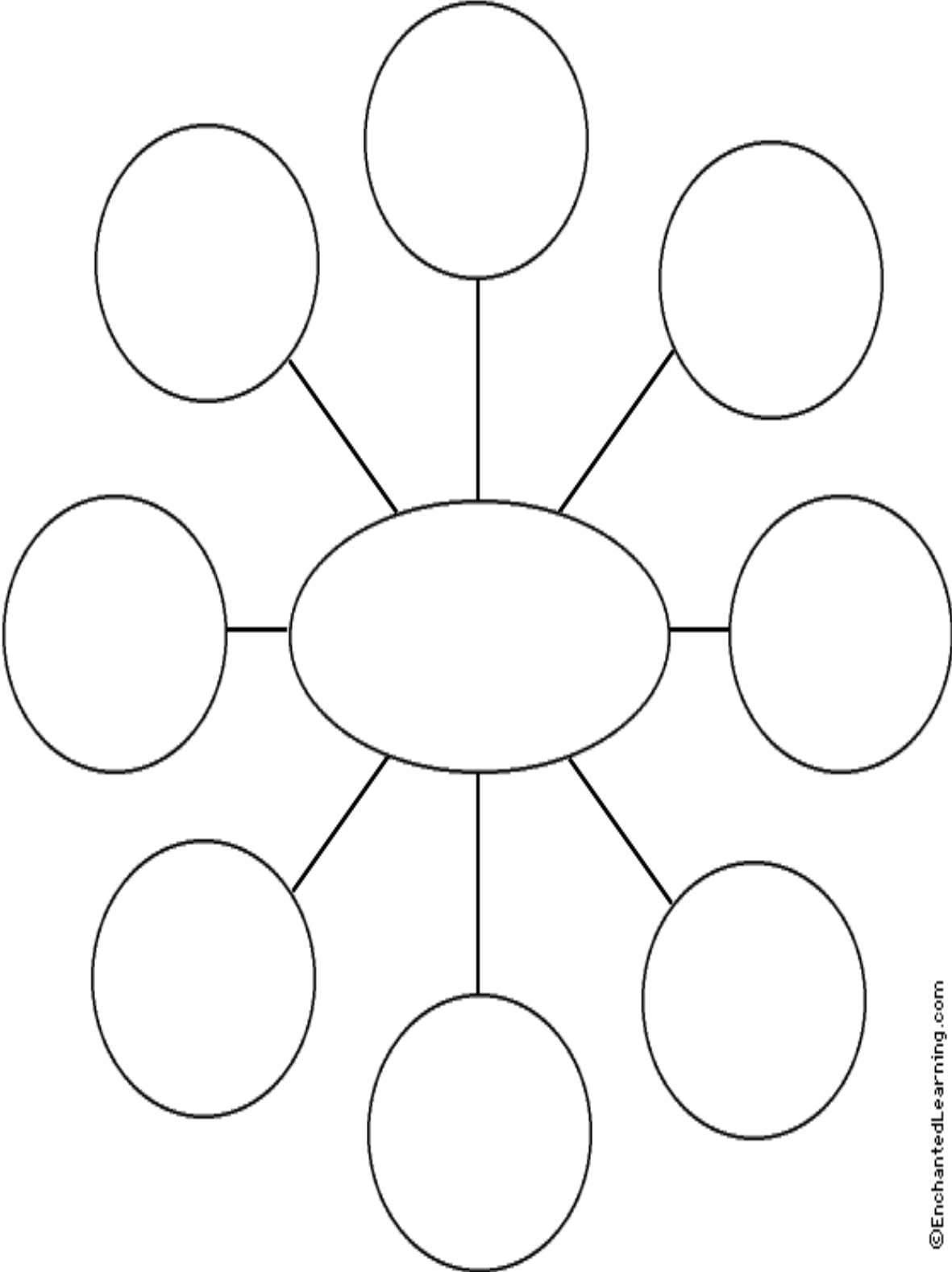
You will now use your answers from each section to fill in the bubble chart on the following page. Fill out each bubble below by writing the **main point(s)** (not the examples or small details) of each section in a corresponding bubble.

You will then write the **main idea** of the entire text in the middle bubble.

Next, review the entire bubble chart in order to write a clear, comprehensive **one paragraph summary** of the novel below. This should not focus on listing small details, or covering all of the plot points, but should cover the **main ideas** so that a student who did not read the novel would understand the gist, the purpose, and any other larger meaning the author(s) intended.

Finally, condense your **summary** into one clear **thesis statement** (try to do this in just one or two sentences) that explains the purpose of the text.

Complete the bubble chart below first, then write your summary and thesis statement on the following page.



Final Summary:

Thesis statement (1-3 sentences):