

Ponte Vedra High School 11<sup>th</sup> Grade HONORS Summer Reading 2018

**Title:** *The Catcher in the Rye* by J. D. Salinger

**Choose five of the questions below. Use content from the novel *The Catcher in the Rye* as an example/support for your comments concerning these universal themes present in *The Catcher in the Rye*. Each response should be multiple sentences, however, this is not essay format, and length is not as important as depth of knowledge present in your responses.**

Question: Is conscience a more powerful motivator than money, fame or power?

Question: Is there always another explanation or another point of view?

Question: Does questioning authority make a society stronger?

Question: Which has a stronger effect on one's life: one's circumstances, or one's system of belief?

Question: What motivates people to change?

Question: Is knowing facts as important as understanding ideas and concepts?

Question: Do we need other people in order to understand ourselves?

Question: Can the daily actions of average people have a significant impact on the course of history?

Question: How important is it to seek the opinions of others when making significant personal decisions?

Question: Are people generally unaware of their own good fortune?

Question: Do violence and immorality in the media make our society more dangerous and immoral?