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SUMMER READING: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

UGLIES

PART A. First, read the five questions below pertaining to your summer reading text. Then, on a separate sheet of paper, you will respond to the questions using your book and notes. For **THREE** of the questions, you may “brainstorm” your response (use bullet points, write down evidence, jot down ideas). For **TWO** of the questions, you must write a complete response (complete sentences).

1. Uglyville and New Pretty Town are designed to be opposites of each other. First, compare and contrast the physical settings of Uglyville and New Pretty Town. Then, describe what an average day is like in each of the cities. Why do you think Tally’s society made these two cities so different from each other? Use textual evidence from the book to support your answer.
2. Tally’s society is different than ours today. Explain why the pretty operation was created; specifically, identify what problems of our modern society it was designed to alleviate. Then, identify a minimum of three other main differences between Tally’s society and ours today. Which society do you think is healthier? Why? Use textual evidence from the book to support your answer.
3. Explain what the “monoculture” is as described in the book; make sure to identify how it came to be as well as its effects on the environment. Why do you think the author includes this in the novel? Consider what it tells you about the previous society as well as what it symbolizes. Use textual evidence from the book to support your answer.
4. When Tally explains how she escaped the Specials to David, there are obvious problems with her story. Identify three differences between Tally’s story to David and the truth of what happened. Use textual evidence from the book to support your answers. Then, why do you think David doesn’t figure out the truth? Identify two possible reasons.
5. Throughout the novel, Tally’s opinions and trust in the authorities and beliefs of her society begin to change. For this question you will track her shifting opinion. First, identify her opinion at the start of the novel. Then, identify three moments from the text where her opinion is altered; include what causes this shifting of opinion. Lastly, identify her opinion at the end of the novel. Your answers should be supported with textual evidence.

PART B. Using the questions above as guidelines, create two of your own book discussion questions. These questions should be **specific** to your novel, and the answers should require the usage of evidence/examples (as the questions above do). You are **NOT** answering these questions.

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