

# Who are YOU as an ELA learner?

ELA 30

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**Answer these questions in a journal format. Answer honestly and thoughtfully. Please answer in full sentences.**

- 1. Reading:** What types of things do you read in a day? What types of things do you like to read? Do you consider yourself a good reader? Are people born good readers or do we develop skills to make us good readers. What are your favorite types of genres to read (mystery, horror, romance)? What goes on in your head when you are reading (thinking ahead, asking questions, do you interact with the text)? Do you think it's important to read? Why or why not?
- 2. Writing:** Besides writing in school what other things do you write (lists, poetry, songs, and letters). What forms of writing do you remember learning about in other ELA classes you have taken (even think back to elementary days, songs, reports, essays)? Create a list of writing forms that you can think of. Do you see yourself as a strong, weak, or average writer? Why?
- 3. Talking:** Do you like to talk? How about in small groups, class presentations? Is it easier to speak in some groups but not others? Give me examples.
- 4. Listening:** Are you a good listener? How do you know? Do you like to be read to? Is it easier for you when you hear things as opposed to reading or seeing things? Who do you know that is a good listener?
- 5. Viewing:** What types of things do you like to view? How much time in a day would you say you are viewing images/messages?
- 6. Representing:** Do you consider yourself artistic? Do you like to create things, build things, draw, paint sculpt? Explain.
- 7.** Write down both a positive and negative learning experience you have had. What do you think made them positive and negative? What do you think is the best way that you learn?
- 8.** If there was one thing you could learn in ELA this semester what would it be (maybe a particular novel, play, storybook creating, media studies, etc.)?