



**MONTEVALLO HIGH SCHOOL**  
**SUMMER READING ASSIGNMENT**  
**MAKING CONNECTIONS**



The Making Connections Summer Reading Assignment must be completed by all students entering standard English courses and Honors English 9.

**1. CONNECTION TO SELF:**

Write a well-developed paragraph about how \_\_\_\_\_ relates to your own life. To what situations or characters can you relate? Why? Have you had any similar experiences? How so?

**2. CONNECTION TO WORLD:**

Find a news article/current event that relates to the text. Print or cut out the article to include in your assignment. Then, explain in a detailed, well-developed paragraph\* how the news article/current event connects to \_\_\_\_\_.

**3. CONNECTION TO LITERATURE:**

Write a well-developed paragraph explaining how \_\_\_\_\_ connects to another piece of literature you have read. You could connect the novel to another novel, a poem, a song, an essay, a memoir, etc.

**4. CONNECTION TO ART:**

Illustrate an original book cover design of \_\_\_\_\_. In a well-developed paragraph, explain the elements of your illustration and how they relate to the themes, characters, plot, symbols, et cetera in the book.

\*A well-developed paragraph presents a clear claim, provides evidence to support the claim, and thoroughly explains the evidence and how it supports the original claim. (5-10 sentences)