

**Summer Reading Assignment**  
**Grade 12**  
**Survey of Literature I and II**  
**Mrs. Keating**

*A Lesson Before Dying* by Ernest J. Gaines  
Journal Reflections/ Personal Statements

**Directions:** After reading each chapter of the novel, complete the questions and writing prompts below. You can make copies of this template and complete one for each chapter. The entire project is due the first day of school and will account for your first test grade. If you have any problems or questions please email me at: [C.Keating@amsacs.org](mailto:C.Keating@amsacs.org). I'll be looking forward to working with you in the fall.

Chapter Summary (use the following when appropriate):

1. Who: Major Character (s):

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2. What:

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3. When:

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4. Where:

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5. How:

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**Reading Guides:**

1. Is the scene in the past or present?
2. Write five vocabulary (unknown) words from the chapter, and use a dictionary and thesaurus to define the words.
3. Statement/opinion: Use examples from the story and tell how the chapter has influenced your opinion on civil rights, justice, human rights, self-esteem, etc.