

7-Step Directions

WHAT	<p>Getting ready to read <i>My Brother Sam Is Dead</i>: You will examine words from Chapter 1 and decide which words fit in the following categories: <i>character, setting, conflict, resolution, and unknown</i>. Then, you will generate a set of questions that you have about the novel and make some predictions about what will happen in the novel.</p>
WHO	<p>All students who chose the novel <i>My Brother Sam is Dead</i> for their literature circle focus book.</p>
WHEN	<p>Due on Monday, April 20th. Your categorized words, questions, and predictions should all be submitted through Google Classroom by 3 pm.</p>
HOW	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Retrieve the list of words and the organizer from the student portal. 2. Review the words carefully. Look up any words that you don't know. 3. Use the organizer to <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Organize the words into the provided categories. • Generate at least three questions about the novel. • Make at least three predictions about the novel. 4. Submit your completed organizer through Google Classroom.
HELP	<p>If you encounter any words you don't know, look them up at dictionary.com. If you are still not sure, you can always put challenging words into the <i>unknown</i> category.</p> <p>Use your "Group & Label Tipsheet" to help you with the process of categorizing words and making predictions.</p> <p>If you need help while working on this assignment, email me.</p>
AFTER	<p>After you complete this assignment, think about what you did to complete it. Ask yourself: What is value of making predictions before reading?</p> <p>As we read the novel, we will revisit your predictions and compare them to what actually happens in the story.</p>
CRITERIA	<p>When you generate your questions, remember to use the "criteria of a thoughtful question" to guide you. A thoughtful question</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is relevant to the topic. • Is clear and easy to understand. • Encourages thinking.