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Directions: Answer each task using complete sentences and TEXT EVIDENCE when the question requires.

<p>CHAPTERS 1-2</p> <p><i>“Like silent, hungry sharks that swim in the darkness of the sea, the German submarines arrived in the middle of the night.”</i> (Taylor, 9)</p> <p>How does this simile help create the setting and mood of the story?</p>		
<p>CHARACTERIZATION: SAY, DO, ACT</p> <p>List 2 examples of how the adults react to the news of the German attack.</p> <p>List 2 examples of how Phillip responds.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ADULTS</p> <p>PG # _____</p> <p>PG # _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PHILLIP</p> <p>PG # _____</p> <p>PG # _____</p>

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Based on the text evidence, what can you infer about Phillip? What kind of personality traits does he appear to have?

What evidence does the author provide to show that Mrs. Enright clearly wants to leave the Curacao?

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CHAPTER 3

Find 3 examples of how Phillip describes Timothy.

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Based on the evidence, how or what does Philip think about Timothy?

What kinds of problems might arise from Phillip's attitude?

CHAPTERS 4-6

From Chapter 3 and 4, find 3 examples of how Timothy treats or behaves toward Phillip.

(i.e. What does Timothy call Phillip?)

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<p>Based on the text evidence, what can you infer about Timothy? What kind of personality traits does he appear to have?</p>	
<p>The author provides the reader with Phillip's inner thinking about his blindness on pages 52-58.</p> <p>What does Phillip think about seeing Timothy and Stew cat? Please give your text evidence.</p>	
<p>Based on the text, how might Phillip's blindness affect how he feels about going to the cay?</p>	
<p>CHAPTERS 7-8</p>	
<p>In chapters 7 & 8 Find 3 text examples of things Phillip thinks about himself.</p>	<p>PG #_____</p>

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Describe whether or not Phillip's inner thinking matches his words and behavior. (Use text evidence)	
REFLECTION	
Looking back over this section of the book (Chapters 1-8), what kinds of conflicts have Phillip and Timothy faced? Provide a list w/ page numbers.	
What have Phillip and Timothy disagreed about?	
What theme topics or subjects keep coming up?	

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CHAPTER 9	
An important event occurs on page 75. Look at how Taylor structures the paragraphs around important information. Describe how Taylor's craft moves in on this page.	
How does Timothy's action affect Phillip?	
CHAPTER 10	
Go back to the text to find at least 2 examples of how Phillip and Timothy react to the rain.	PG # _____ PG # _____
Find an example of how Phillip describes the cay after the rain.	PG # _____

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<p>“Because it had been on my mind I told him that my mother didn’t like black people and asked him why.” (Taylor, 79)</p> <p>What is the author’s purpose in having Phillip and Timothy talk about this subject?</p>	
<p>What might the rain symbolize to Phillip and Timothy at this point in the book?</p>	
<p>CHAPTERS 11-12</p>	
<p>Timothy’s bout of malaria changes things on the island. Using specific text evidence, what changed for Timothy? How might this affect Phillip?</p>	
<p>CHAPTER 13</p>	
<p>Phillip masters two important skills. Give text evidence that shows his new skills.</p>	<p>PG # _____</p> <p>PG # _____</p>

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<p>CHAPTER 14 To keep the plot moving, authors have to 'raise the stakes' on their characters. Provide 2 pieces of text evidence that shows how Timothy and Phillip are responding to the coming hurricane.</p>	<p>PG # _____</p> <p>PG # _____</p>
<p>What might be some things they cannot prepare for? What do their preparations leave the reader wondering? What evidence of foreshadowing?</p>	
<p>CHAPTERS 15-16</p>	
<p>In many places in the text, Phillip realizes only after some thought that Timothy's actions have a larger purpose in their lives on the island.</p> <p>In chapter 16, what does Phillip realize about Timothy's actions in chapter 15? Use text evidence to support your answer.</p>	
<p>Symbols have both a literal and a figurative meaning. After the hurricane, Phillip finds several things. Please explain the what these items could represent or SYMBOLIZE.</p>	<p>Fishing Poles</p> <p>Bird's New Nesting Ground</p>

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CHAPTERS 17-18	
Find 2 examples of Phillip using the lessons Timothy taught him from chapters 17 and/or 18.	PG # _____ PG # _____
What do you notice about Phillip's behavior in these two chapters? Has his behavior changed, or is it the same as his behavior at the beginning of the story? In the middle?	
CHAPTER 19 "In early April, I returned to Willemstad with my mother, and we took up life where it had been left off the previous April." (Taylor, 143). Do you think Philip is serious in this statement? Give text evidence to support your explanation.	

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Think about the types of conflict in this story, and the several theme topics that have developed over the course of the book.

What do you think Phillip learned – what was the theme? Was it the same as what the author wanted the reader to learn?

The last line of a novel is significant.

Why does the author leave the reader with the line: “I’ll say, ‘Dis b’dat outrageous cay, eh Timothy?”

FOOD FOR THOUGHT: Which adult treated Philip better – Timothy, Mr. Enright, or Mrs. Enright?