

English 10 – Summer Reading Assignment

The Glass Castle – by Jeanette Walls

Your assignment is to make a chronological timeline of **TEN MAJOR events** that occur in *The Glass Castle*. In creating your timeline, you should select the ten events that you feel are the most significant in the story.

Format:

- Create your timeline using PowerPoint or Google Slides.
- For each event you choose, include a direct quotation from the story that illustrates/describes the action that occurred.
- Quotes should be in MLA format. “Those shining stars, he liked to point out, were one of the special treats for people like us who lived out in the wilderness” (Walls 72).

Content:

In addition to the quotations, each event on your timeline should include the following:

- A title for each slide that identifies the event - should answer the question, “What happened?”
- The setting of the event (place & time)
- The author’s age when the event occurred
- A visual image depicting the event
- 1-3 sentences that explain the significance of the event - do not just restate the meaning of the quotation

Overall Organization:

- Include a title slide in your presentation (giving you a presentation of 11 total slides)
- Organize your events in chronological order
- Events must actually occur in the book.
- Events should be spread throughout the book so that the presentation represents the book in its entirety
- Maintain a formal tone - no 1st or 2nd person pronouns (I, you, etc.)
- Visuals: watch your word spacing; don’t use a text block that is too large and maintain a balance between the visual image and the text within your slide
- Use correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation