

Harlan County Public Schools  
COVID Distance Learning (CDL)  
English 10, Mrs. Mitchell  
Spring 2020

**Introduction:**

“The Diary of [Your Name Here]”

We are living through an unprecedented time in history and while we may be experiencing fears and concerns, we are also observing things we’ve never seen in our country, let alone our tiny little corner of Appalachia. Anne Frank, was a young girl who lived during the holocaust. While in hiding from Nazi soldiers, she recorded her life in a diary which was later turned into a book. Similarly, your task for the next 7 (possibly 10) CDL days is to write a daily journal entry with your observations during this time. At the end, we will put them together to create a diary of your time practicing social distancing during the COVID19 pandemic.

**Standard:**

C.9-10.2 Compose informative and/or explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content.

C.9-10.3 Use narratives strategically in other modes of writing, utilizing effective technique, well-chosen details, and well-structured sequences for an intended purpose, including but not limited to introducing an idea and/or supporting a claim.

C.9-10.7 Compose routinely over extended time frames and shorter time frames for a variety of tasks, purposes, and audiences.

**Activities:**

Monday, March 16 – 18: Complete days 8, 9, and 10 of current NTI packet.

Thursday, March 19- 27: Complete journal entries using the following prompts.

Monday, March 30-April 1: IF NEEDED, complete journal entries using the following prompts.

## CDL Day 1: 3/19/2020

Introduce yourself and what is going on in the world today. Journal/write about who you are, your family, where you live, and why you are not able to be in school—the impact COVID19 is having on you and your family... basically how you came to be in your current situation. (1 Page)

## CDL Day 2: 3/20/20

Examine the media today. Journal/write your thoughts and feelings regarding the panic the media may or may not be instigating. How do you feel after watching/listening to the news? (1 Page)

## CDL Day 3: 3/23/20

Think about the state of the COVID19 situation last Friday? How have things changed over the weekend? Have they gotten better or worse?

Journal/write about what changes have occurred and your thoughts/feelings regarding those changes. (1 Page)

## CDL Day 4: 3/24/20

Consider what your home life normally looks like. With all that is happening regarding COVID19, journal/write your thoughts and feelings about how this has effected things in your home. What does your home life look like now, compared to pre-virus? What changes/adjustment have had to be made? (1 Page)

## CDL Day 5: 3/25/20

Describe your feelings about social distancing. Do you feel it's necessary? Is it helping delay the spread of the virus? Are you practicing social distancing or has your lifestyle remained the same? Journal/write about your thoughts and feelings regarding this concept. (1 Page)

## CDL Day 6: 3/26/20

What things are happening around you today? Using the news/social media/conversations you have had with others, describe what things are happening in our nation, in our state, in our county, and in your own community. Consider what stores/businesses are doing, etc. (1 Page)

## CDL Day 7: 3/27/20

Journal/write about your day today. Has COVID19 influenced your life in any way specifically today? Write about the things you've done/thought since you woke up. (1 Page)

## CDL Day 8: 3/30/20 (IF NEEDED)

Describe what precautions you are taking to protect yourself and your family during the COVID19 pandemic? What things do you wish you could do? What things are you doing/wish you could do to help your community during this time? (1 Page)

## CDL Day 9: 3/31/20 (IF NEEDED)

What types of things have you been doing to keep from getting bored during this time social distancing and isolation? Describe activities you've enjoyed while on this extended break. (1 Page)

## CDL Day 10: 4/1/20 (IF NEEDED)

Describe your final thoughts on the COVID19 pandemic. Write a letter to someone who might find this journal 50 years from now. What would you tell them? What warnings do you have for them regarding this virus? (1

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