**Ms. McLeod**

**ELA A10**

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**Collaborative Group Work: Complete the following questions with your group. Be prepared to share your answers.**

**Theme 1**

**The ability to communicate is an important skill. It is a necessary quality for being human.**

1. What is Annie’s view on communication?

**Theme 2**

Perseverance is persistence in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.

Perseverance in the face of hardship is the key to success. Never give up!

1. How are Annie and Kate’s hardships similar? How are they different? How do they deal with their hardships?

**Symbolism**

1. In what way are Dramatic effects such as lighting and bells symbols in the play?
2. What do keys symbolize in the play?

**Dialogue**

The speeches of the performers explain what has gone on before, prepare for what is to follow and reveal character. One of the ways a playwright creates a convincing character is by use of dialect: A form of speech characteristic of a region, community or social group.

1. Choose one character in the play. How does the playwright develop the character through the use of dialect?

**Plot**

**The plot is presented dramatically with a beginning, a middle and an end. The beginning or introduction introduces characters and explains the previous action through the speeches of characters.**

**In the middle or main action, the conflict takes place. The main action should reach a climax followed by the conclusion.**

1. What is the conflict in the play
2. What is the climax of the play?