

## Watchmen Response Journal

- Be sure to complete your journal responses as you read the text. Incorporate journaling into your reading process; all the cool kids are doin' it.
- Due dates will be posted on the schedule board as per usual; all journals will be due **weekly** by (at the latest) **8:54 am** on **Thursdays**.
- **Citation** format is: (chapter.page.panel). So chapter 2, page 3, panel 4 would be (II.3.4). And chapter 9, page 12, panels 1-8 would be (IX.12.1-8). If you're citing a quotation or visual from the end-of-chapter materials, just cite the chapter and page, omitting the panel number.
- Because of the visual format of Watchmen, you may choose to respond to either a specific **quotation**, a **single panel**, or a **series of panels**. If you use a quotation, type it out. If you select a panel or a series of panels, vividly and accurately **paraphrase** the contents; write in concise **narrative prose**.
- In the **critical** portion of each response, strive to genuinely **analyze** a specific portion of the text in a **focused** way with **mechanical** precision. Refer to the notes and resources you have to help you in analyzing stylistic motifs and thematic elements.
- In the **personal** portion of each response, be **genuine** with your thoughts and **expressive** in your style as you connect with the text. Refer to your textbook (specifically pg. 10-11) for help with effective interactions with literature.
- Select **one** response from each due date as your **favorite** from that set, and submit it in **bold-face** type. You may be asked to bring in a hardcopy of some of your best journal entries for class discussion.
- Be sure that each of your responses includes **all** of the following:
  - the quotation or a vivid, narrative summary of the panel(s) you've chosen
  - properly-formatted citation (see above for proper format)
  - your critical analysis
  - your personal response