**Persuasive Paper Reading Journal**

Name\_Andrew Martin\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Book\_All Quiet on the Western Front\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Reading log #2 due \_3/25\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Chapters \_6 - 9\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Objective:** To read your selected novel in order to write a persuasive paper which answers the question- what message is the author attempting to convey to his/her readers and how?

**Task #1** – As you read, highlight and label significant sentences from the story that reveal something interesting or important about a character, setting, conflict, or other notable items like the author’s use of figurative language. This can be done easily in ActivelyLearn, where your book is located.

**Task #2** – As you read, fill in the reading chart items below. These can be in note form or full sentence form.

Use detail. It will help you with your paper later.

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| What has changed in the setting?  Any new settings? Describe.     They stormed the enemy trench after fending off an attempted attack. After the attack, the company went to get refit and went on break. Before leaving for break, they snuck over the Rhine River for some girls. After Paul’s leave, he was sent to a training camp near his hometown before being sent back to the front |
| How have the characters changed?  Any new characters? Describe.     Himmelstoss became more lenient after his exposure to the front lines and his many near-death experiences. Kantorek has been humbled, as he is now in the army under one of his students. Paul has found a new appreciation for his home and the beauty of normal life but knows that he can never have it after what he has been through. When he returns to the front, he acts like it was his first time fighting for his life, despite his experience. He blames his leave for making him more lenient and thoughtful. |
| How has the central problem become more complicated?  What new conflicts exist in the story?     Paul will now have more trouble surviving WWI, as his break has made him more mellow than he was. He has lost some of his animalistic instincts that helped him survive. |
| A part of the book I would like to discuss with my book club is….     The book is still surprisingly blunt, but with some very deep moments    The talk about who benefits from the war   Much less boot metaphors   How Paul relates to the Russians in the prison camp   Even when he is at home, Paul seems separated from the world and from his family. |