

***Abarat* Final Evaluation**

It's important to read, but it's equally important to analyze while you read and be able to form opinions based on what you read. This assignment will allow you take what you know from the book and present it in a formal literary analysis. Following are a number of questions. Select one of them and write two-page paper (typed, double-spaced, 12 point, Times) of your choice. It is essential that you do several things in this essay:

- Your paper must be at least two pages
 - Do not use first person (do not say "I believe" and do not use "I")
 - Quote from the text and cite you page number(s) correctly. You **MUST** have at least two quotes in your paper **properly cited**
 - Use a thesis to guide your reader
 - Provide a title
 - **PROOFREAD!!!!**
1. Analyze the character of Candy Quackenbush. What are her strengths and weaknesses and how does she appeal to the reader (or not)?
 2. Analyze the character of Christopher Carrion. Highlight the elements that make him seem sympathetic and unsympathetic to the reader.
 3. Rojo Pixler represents expansion and commercialism. Describe the elements that make commercialism appear negative and/or positive as presented through his character.
 4. There are a number of examples of physical and mental abuse in this text. What so you think Barker is saying about abuse? Cite specific examples.
 5. Adults are supposed to know more than children and guide them. Is this the case in this book? Cite specific examples when adults either govern well or govern poorly and come to some conclusion.
 6. Through the journey of Candy, Barker implies not only that souls exist, but also that there is some force governing the universe. Cite specific examples that present his philosophy.

This paper is due **Friday, March 25**, and it is worth **30 points**. Please make sure that you have your paper printed before class begins on Friday. **If you have to print during class, you paper will be marked late.**