Summer Assignment

Welcome to APUSH! This summer's reading assignment will be the novel, <u>The Invention of Wings</u> by Sue Monk Kidd. Inspired by the historical figure of Sarah Grimke, <u>The Invention of Wings</u> tells the story of Sarah's life starting at her eleventh birthday, when she is given ownership of ten-year-old Handful, who is to be her slave. The story follows their remarkable journeys over the next thirty-five years, as both strive for a life of their own, dramatically shaping each other's destinies and forming a complex relationship marked by guilt, defiance, estrangement and the uneasy ways of love.

<u>Task</u>: Read The Invention of Wings and respond below. Please complete this part by September 20th. PLEASE DO NOT MARK UP THE BOOK. IF YOU WANT TO TAKE NOTES, USE POSTITS.

Your complete chart must be submitted to turn it in.

The following are themes or issues in the book. Identify 2 excerpts from the book for each of the themes. Record the page number for each excerpt, copy a segment of the excerpt in the chart you will create, and explain how the quote exemplifies the issue or theme.

- The inhumanity of slavery
- Resistance to slavery
- Equality
- Religion
- Societal norms
- Women's suffrage/place in society/misogyny
- Role of Quakers in the abolitionist movement

Copy and complete the chart. You will need to add more rows, one for each of the bulleted themes.

Quote	Page number	How does this exemplify the specific theme?

This book will be used throughout the year as a reference and your understanding of it will be assessed at several points, including but not limited to class discussions, multiple choice questions and an essay.