**Sample Format for Research Inquiry Page (RIP)**

*After we read a short story, poem, or article, we will write research pages to keep track of the source and the information we can glean from it. Doing so will give me a chance to grade you along the way and it will get you in the habit of keeping track of your sources.*

Requirements: You will lose points for not following MLA format and for not following instructions exactly. Must be typed and double spaced.

**Heading:**

**Your Name**

**AP English Literature**

**Troy**

**Date**

**A. MLA Citation: Go to the OWL at Purdue for Specifics.**

**B. Information about Author: Look this up.**

*Include the writer’s country, time period, field of study or expertise, and institution or affiliations.*

**C. Synopsis:**

*In this brief overview, state the main idea, focus, and/or approach of the article or story.*

**D. Quotation or Significant Idea #1:**

*Write down a key quotation or idea here that you find interesting or compelling. Be sure to include a page number in parentheses.*

**Discussion/Explanation:**

*Explain the quotation or idea here. Discuss what it means and what it reveals about the subject. Compare and contrast the idea other sources or previous knowledge as well. Record any questions or responses of your own.*

**E. Quotation or Significant Idea #2:**

*Write down a key quotation or idea here that you find interesting. Be sure to include a page number in parentheses.*

**Discussion/Explanation:**

*Explain the quotation or idea here. Discuss what it means and what it reveals about the subject. Compare and contrast the idea with other sources or previous knowledge as well. Record any questions or responses of your own.*

**F. Quotation or Significant Idea #3:**

*Write down a key quotation or idea here that you find interesting. Be sure to include a page number in parentheses.*

**Discussion/Explanation:**

*Explain the quotation or idea here. Discuss what it means and what it reveals about the subject. Compare and contrast the idea with other sources or previous knowledge as well. Record any questions or responses of your own.*