Fever Pitch is the autobiographical story of British author Nick Hornby. It compares, contrasts, and conflates the fortunes of the Arsenal Football Club with the ups and downs in the author's own life. The book is largely a collection of essays about individual matches, with each match scrutinized by Hornby and dissected for symbolic content. Hornby also critically examines his childhood hero-worship of footballers and the different way in which he feels about sporting events as an adult.

Directions: You will need to write a 2-3 page essay (typed or hand-written) on one of the following topic descriptions based on the book you read.

● Write an essay describing the author in detail. Include physical appearance, his beliefs, vocabulary, actions, thoughts, as well as why you deem him memorable. Cite evidence from the book (MUST include page numbers).
● How did the author and other characters in the book cooperate with each other? What were their individual personality traits? What obstacles did they overcome and how? What are some examples of their cooperation? What were the benefits of their cooperation? Cite evidence from the book (MUST include page numbers).
● Recall a scene in which the author captured the essence (i.e. beauty/mystery) of a place in the way it was described. Write about how the author wrote about the beautiful place and what sensory words were used. Why was this scene important to the story? Cite evidence from the book (MUST include page numbers).
● If you have viewed the movie made from the book, write an essay comparing and contrasting the movie with the book. Cite evidence from the book/movie (MUST include page numbers **and** see OWLPurdue on the proper MLA format of citations for movies).