

Analytical Notetaking
Says – Means - Matters



Main Idea / Focus / Theme			
	What does the text... SAY?	What does the author... MEAN?	Why does it... MATTER?
Section / pages / paragraph	“Teresa is going to be my girl this year, he promised himself as he left the gym full of students in their new fall clothes.”	The quote is saying that _____ _____ _____	This quote is important because it _____ _____ _____
	The text directly states, When Teresa says, “Hi Victor,” he responds, “Yeah, that’s me. He then wishes he had said something clever.	The quote is explaining the _____ _____ _____	This quote includes an example of _____ _____ _____
	As stated by the author, Victor makes up a bogus phrase when his teacher asks him a question in French: “Frenchie oh weve in gee in September.” The teacher understands that he doesn’t speak French and turns away.	In this quote, the author describes _____ _____ _____	This quote demonstrates how _____ _____ _____

What does the author mean with the phrases: Great rosebushes of shame bloomed on Victor’s cheeks” and “a river of nervous sweat ran down his palms.”	The quote is describing _____ _____ _____	An examination of this quote reveals _____ _____ _____
In the Teresa’s words, “I didn’t know you knew French.”	The quote is important because _____ _____ _____	This quote affects the story because _____ _____ _____
The author states “They left the class together. Teresa asked him if he would help her with her French.	In this quote, the author implies _____ _____ _____	This quote reminds the reader that _____ _____ _____