ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY
AMERICAN STUDIES

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Due: In person - Start of the first class meeting

American Overdose; The Opoid Crisis in Three Acts by Chris McGreal
Available at: Amazon

**This book contains adult situations and language.*

Directions:
Please be mindful that your study guide responses will be utilized for a project in August. Give them some time and focus.

Your responses need to be neatly handwritten.

Any answers that are not authentic and produced by AI will result in a zero grade for the prep work for the project.

PART 1:

Craft a written response of 1-2 paragraphs (of at least 200 words each) for EACH of the THREE sections of the book.

Ensure EACH paragraph incorporates TWO direct quotations with MLA in-text citations sourced from that particular part of the book.

Thoroughly provide at least three sentences of reasoning to how these quotes provide evidence to support your main idea.

Introduction to the Book: Briefly summarize the author's main argument or thesis.
Act One: Dealing: Discuss the portrayal of the medical community's involvement in the crisis.
Act Two: Hooked: How did government policies and regulations respond to the escalating crisis?
Act Three: Withdrawal: What are the long-term consequences of the opioid crisis on American society?

PART 2:

Reader Response Questions: (at least 200 words each) You may use the "I" perspective.

1. Were there any personal anecdotes or stories in the book that resonated with you? Why? Explain.
2. Reflect on the role of accountability in the opioid crisis. Who, in your opinion, should be held responsible for the crisis, and why? Explain.
3. What lessons can be learned from the history of the opioid crisis, and how can they inform future efforts to prevent similar crises? Explain.