

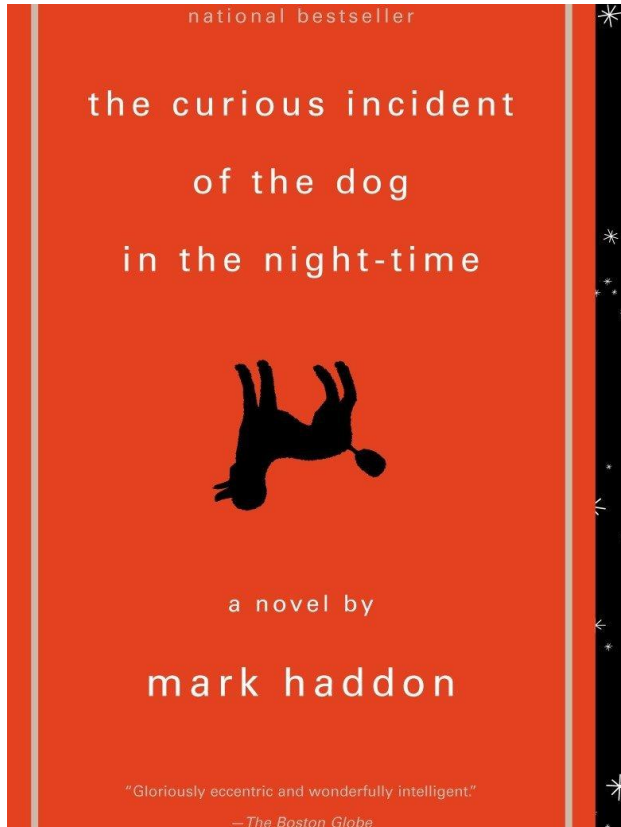
English 218 Introduction to Literature

Lesson: April 6, 2020

Learning Targets

- Read and comprehend literature, including stories, dramas, and poems, independently and proficiently.
- Evaluate the impact of the author's choices regarding how to develop and relate elements of a text.

Bell Ringer:



This is the cover of the book you will be reading for the next couple of weeks.

What do you notice about the design of this cover, such as the title, etc.?

Keeping in mind that authors and/or editors may be communicating something with the cover, what do you infer from this cover?

****Start a document to record your response to this and the work which follows on later slides.**

Learn

This novel is by an author named Mark Haddon, who once worked with autistic teenagers. Read about autistic spectrum disorder on the Mayo Clinic's website: [Autism spectrum disorder - Symptoms and causes](#). Have you ever known anyone diagnosed with this - sometimes referred to as being "on the spectrum"?

Keep this in mind as you move forward in reading this unique and fascinating work of fiction.

Read and Write

- Use the the pdf of this wonderful novel to begin reading. Please read pages 1-15. The pages are the numbers associated with this pdf, as indicated at the top.
- [Mark Haddon The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time](#)
- What is your initial impression of this book? What three things do you see right away about the structure of this book which is different from other books you have read?

Response Criteria

(Answers will Vary)

- Check your written response to make sure it meets the following criteria:
 - Did you write in complete sentences?
 - Did you use standard conventions (spelling, punctuation, grammar)?
 - Did you answer the questions?

Sample Proficient Answer:

Your initial impressions of this book are uniquely yours, but I hope you are intrigued by it and want to read on to find out more about the main character and his quest. Some things you may have noticed which are different include: the chapters are numbered in prime numbers; there are diagrams, drawings, charts, and numbered lists - things not often found in a novel, and the main character uses dialogue and narration in unique ways.

If you want to learn more...Additional Resource:

If you want to learn more about this author and his writing, check out this link:

[Mark Haddon](#)