



Annotated Readings for *Persepolis*

Requirements

- Label each annotated reading with your name, class period, date, and the CHAPTER or pages you are discussing.
- You will complete 1 annotated reading, due at the end of class.
- Write 150-300 words about the chapters you read in class. This is free form, informal writing. You are jotting down thoughts, not completing an essay test or composing a formal paper. Ideas in the write-up should be based upon **literary devices** (irony, humor, symbolism, allusion, allegory, foreshadowing, imagery, syntax, diction, etc.) and **graphic novel techniques** (angle, distance, color, arrangement of frames, captions, composition, etc) and *how these devices develop the author's theme*. Your write-ups will **earn zero credit if they are plot summaries**. Write-ups should be based on close reading that is analyzing the graphic novel as literature and analyzing the graphic novel for visual technique. Remember, your final assessment for this unit is to create a graphic novel of your own.
- The second item to add to your annotated reading is to compose 1 discussion question that you can pose to the class. You don't necessarily need to know how to answer your own questions. Discussion questions should be open ended and should be Level II or III questions. For example "Where does the story take place?" or "Who does the Big, Bad Wolf eat?" **do not qualify** as open ended questions. Level II and III questions would look more like "Why do you think the Big, Bad Wolf feels compelled to threaten people in order to get his way?" or "Do you feel that this fairy tale portrays males in a poor, stereotypical light?"
- Each annotated reading will be worth 5 pts.