***Beloved***

**Character and Symbol Analysis**

Below is a list of important characters / symbols from the text(this is the two lists that will be located in the front cover of your copy of the book). Identify and define the importance of these characters and symbols in context of the larger story.

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| *Characters* | *Symbols / “Stuff”* | *Major Themes /Topics* |
| Baby Suggs  Sethe  Halle  Paul D  Sixo  Denver  Beloved  Stamp Paid | Sweet Home  124 Bluestone Rd  The white dress  Water  The chain  Trees  The tin box | Racism / Slavery  Womb/tomb  The Middle Passage  Language  The home  Men/masculinity  Family  (Re)memory / the past  Reconciliation / forgiveness  Love |

Following are a list of important passages that relate to the overall important themes of the novel. IN YOUR TEXT, annotate these passages. In addition, either on this page or on separate paper, list which quotes pertain to which topics (some quotes may belong to more than one topic). For the sake of space, I’ve included the page on which the quote is found, the first few words, and the last few words of the passage in question (assume everything in between will be important).

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| Pg 4 – “Grandma Baby…passed 124”  Pg 4 – “No more…of disgust”  Pg 16-17 – That’s what…intricate branches”  Pg 23 – That child…mean a thing”  Pg 29 – “…a white…mother’s waist”  Pg 35-36 – “Anything dead…nothing ever dies”  Pg 45 – “For a used…the next one”  Pg 47-49 – “all the time…held hands”  Pg 50-51 – “A fully dressed…to capacity”  Pg 57-58 – “…Sethe was…was unspeakable”  Pg 60 – “I didn’t see…I did look”  Pg 62-63 – “Nan was the…did she know?”  Pg 71 – Paul D stepped…back the past”  Pg 78 – Denver was…down together”  Pg 86-89 – “It was time…daughter-in-law arrived”  Pg 106-110 – “Out of sight…and each other” | Pg 125 – “The last of…responsible humans spoke”  Pg 148-153 – “When the four…like rigor mortis”  Pg 162 – I did it…*that* was freedom”  Pg 165 – You got two…not four”  Pg 172-173 – “What he heard…a solitary life”  Pg 184 – “Born Joshua…life owes you”  Pg 198-199 – “The day Stamp…unspeakable thoughts, unspoken”  Pg 200-217 - “Beloved, she is…you are mine”  Pg 222,226 – “Sixo, hitching up…Seven-O”  Pg 261 – “…a salt lick…smile was dazzling”  Pg 267 – “As a matter…” |