**Transcendentalism Theme Chart**

Using the texts we have read in class, use this chart to start building a character portrait of what a “typical” transcendentalist might have been like. Keep in mind that some of these characteristics will not be explicitly stated. In this case, you will need to use the evidence provided from the texts to decipher what qualities or characteristics this group might have possessed. You will also need to find textual evidence to support the characterization you have provided for each category.

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| **CHARACTERISTIC** | **ANALYSIS** | **TEXTUAL EVIDENCE** |
| **Self****Perception***(how did Transcendentalists view themselves? What caused them to feel this way?)* |  |  |
| **Relationship to the****Environment***(what did Transcendentalists think of the natural world and the living things that existed there?* |  |  |
| **Relationship with God / Higher Power***(how did Transcendentalists see “god”? In what ways did they show their respect/reverence for this higher being?)* |  |  |