**Absolute True Diary of a Part Time Indian Chapter 12-17 questions**

Answer all questions on your own paper in full sentences. Make sure you give reasons, examples and explanations for all questions except those underlined.

**Chapter 12 – Slouching Toward Thanksgiving**

1. Explain the event that happens in geology class about petrified wood.

2. What problems does Junior encounter in getting to school and how does he overcome them?

3. What causes Junior’s mother to cry and how does Junior feel about it?

4. Explain the development of Junior’s new friendship with Gordy.

**Chapter 13 – My Sister Sends Me an Email**

1. Summarize what Mary tells Junior in her email.

**Chapter 14 – Thanksgiving**

1. Explain the IRONY about Indians celebrating Thanksgiving.

2. What does Junior’s Dad say about that?

3. What happens when Junior goes over to Rowdy’s house?

**Chapter 15 – Hunger Pains**

1. Explain the ANALOGY Junior discovers between Penelope and Junior’s dad.

2. How does Junior’s interaction with Penelope affect their friendship and their lives?

3. How is Junior treated by Penelope’s father? Why?

**Chapter 16 – Rowdy Gives Me Advice About Love**

1. What two pieces of advice about his love for Penelope does he get from Rowdy and Gordy? Why do you think they are different?

2. INFER: Why does Junior refer to how “white” Penelope is? What is the effect of this?

**Chapter 17 – Dance, Dance, Dance**

1. Why does Junior feel “half Indian in one place and half white in the other”?

2. What happens when Junior goes to the Winter Formal? Explain what happens.

3. INFER: Why is the novel called The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian?

4. How do Penelope and Roger react to Junior’s admission that he is poor?

5. What does Junior learn about some people by the end of the chapter? Explain how he learns this.