Graphic Organizer: Each Character’s Major Desires/Dreams

**Purpose:** Using this graphic organizer will help students organize all of the new information they learn about each character. This sheet will be a valuable tool as they complete their various writing assignments (because they will have documented and logged important information).

**Context/Directions:** It would be best to hand this out to students at the very beginning after the more general pre-writing strategies have been completed. They should at least have it the first day they begin reading, even though there are characters on the sheet who are introduced later in the novel. If they have it as soon as they read, they can start cataloguing from the beginning. This strategy, itself, is best used as a during-reading/post-reading strategy. It should be frequently referred to throughout lessons and they should have time to update it each time they read. In the instructions, it says that they are to have at least 5 or 6 points for each person, but by the end of the reading, they will probably have a lot more than that (it might even be wise to copy the same page on both the front and back so students can have more room if needed).

**Assessment:** Because it is an on-going assignment, it should be weighted fairly heavily. Be aware that this grade will most likely positively reward those students who consistently read the novel.