

# Merit Rising 9th Graders

*The Time Keeper* by Mitch Albom. Publisher: Hachette Books ISBN-13: 978-1401312855

Students are asked to get a hard copy of this book to read this summer. Class discussion and a written assessment will take place during the first week of school.

We will be reading this book this summer and looking for a) the ways that characters make choices that they know to be sinful/wrong and b) ways that characters find God's grace. To prepare you for class discussion and a paper when we return to school, please complete the following steps as you read:

1. Complete the guided reading questions for each section. Copy and paste this document into a new file.
2. You must type your responses and be prepared to upload the document into GoogleClassroom when the school year begins.
3. Highlight in your book where you find the answers.

## ***The TimeKeeper* Guided Reading**

### **Prologue through Beginning**

1. What is the man in the cave listening to?
2. Who is the man in the cave?
3. Who is the first person on Earth to attempt counting?
4. What happened to Sarah's parents shortly after her 12th birthday?
5. What is King Nim building?
6. What does Victor Delmonte want research on in Chapter 8?
7. What happens to Alli after the visitors come to their cave?
8. When Dor begins running, where does he go?
9. Why does he go there?

## Cave through Earth

1. What is Dor supposed to learn while he's in the cave?
2. Though Sarah is smart, her focus is on a boy. What's his name?
3. What is Victor dying from?
4. In Chapter 23, what does Dor learn everyone wants more of?
5. How is Victor planning to fight cancer?
6. Who in her home realizes that Sarah is upset?
7. Who in Victor's home realizes he's distant?
8. Dor is returned with a mission to find two people. Explain what these people will want from time.
9. What is Dor given that lets him control time?
10. What did Ethan bring to his meeting with Sarah?
11. What place does New York City remind Dor of?

## City through Letting Go

1. Where does Dor begin to work?
2. What does Victor buy in the watch shop?
3. When does Victor plan to do the experiment?
4. What does Sarah buy for Ethan with her savings?
5. In Chapter 50, Dor tells Victor something that Victor had wanted as a child. What was it?
6. Who did Victor want more with?
7. How did Ethan respond when Sarah told him about her feelings?
8. Victor talks Grace into going to what event without him, so he can carry out his plan?
9. How is Sarah further humiliated on social media?
10. What does Sarah plan to do?

### **New Year's Eve through Stillness**

1. What was Sarah secretly doing even before her Mom left for the party?
2. What is she planning to do while her Mom is away?
3. Who rescues Sarah?
4. Who does he take her to?
5. What has happened to time?
6. Dor confesses he is the sinner who made what?

### **Future through Epilogue**

1. What do the stones tell Dor?
2. Where do they travel first in the future?
3. How does Ethan react to Sarah's 'passing'?
4. Where do they travel first with Victor?

5. What happens to Victor's plan for immortality in the future?
6. Once Dor tells his story, what happens to him?
7. Who is he reunited with?
8. Where do Sarah and Victor meet up again?
9. What had been Victor's code word to stop the procedure?
10. What does Sarah go on to do?
11. How did she pay for college?

