Summer Response Questions: Piecing Me Together by Renée Watson 8th grade English

Please answer all of the following questions in a thorough and thoughtful manner. Type and print your response. Consider this your first homework grade, due the first day of school.

- 1. Briefly describe how your identity informed your response to this particular book. Consider your gender, race, age, religion, socio-economic background, and interests. What were your first impressions when you were assigned this book and before you began reading? Did you think you would be able to relate to any of the characters? Did you expect to enjoy it or not? Did your opinion change as you read? Explain.
- 2. What current social or political issues does this novel address? Which issues would you like to discuss further? Why?
- 3. Define intersectionality. Define pluralism. How could these terms relate to this novel?
- 4. What did the author, Renee Watson, do well in her writing? What do you wish she had done differently?

Nothing is required in writing for the Teacher Recommended Book Choice.

There IS a written response required for the History text.