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**BELL ASSIGNMENTS** **DECEMBER**

You need to respond to the question on the board. Remember to start off your response with the restatement of the question as part of your answer. Your response should at least be **ONE SOLID** paragraph (4- 7 sentences). You should plan to write for a minimum of three minutes. If you are absent, see me for the question or you can choose one of your own.

**12/ 02:**

**Would you rather be the smartest person in school OR the most popular person in school. Why? Give at least 3 reasons to support your position.**

**12/03:**

**Do you think researchers should perform experiments on humans to advance medicine, even if they do not know the ramifications (effects) of doing it?**

**12/04:**

**Do you think Charlie made the right decision in having the operation? Does he have the capacity to make that type of decision, or does it matter? Explain.**

**12/05:**

**What was the BEST part of Thanksgiving Break? What was your LEAST favorite part? Why? What break is your favorite – MEA, Thanksgiving, Winter Break, or Spring Break?**

**12/08**

**Charlie thinks that getting smarter will solve all his problems. Do you think he is right? What are the problems that he is trying to solve? Explain your answer**

**12/09:**

**What do you think is going to happen to Charlie at the end of the story.**

**12/10:**

**Now that you know what has happened in the story, do you think Charlie made the right decision if it is was short lived? If you had the chance to be the smartest person in the school for ONE day, would you do it? What would be the BEST thing that would come out of it? What would be the WORST thing? Explain**

**12/11:**

**If there is ONE thing that you could change about yourself, what would it be? Why? When did you decide that this was a change that would you like? What are your reasons behind it?**

**12/12:**

**Explain the significance of the title “Flowers to Algernon.” How does that relate to the to theme of the story? What is the THEME? Explain**

**12/15:**

**At the beginning of the story, Charlie thinks the people he works with, Joe Carp and Frank Reilly, are his friends. Do you agree? Does your perception of them change at the end of the story? Explain.**

**12/16:**

**Would you allow experimental drugs to be used on a sick member of your family? Why or why not?**

**12/17:**

**What are values? What are the values that you hold close to your heart? Why are they so important?**

**12/18:**

**What are your plans for WINTER BREAK? What do you look forward to the most? Do you enjoy spending time with your extended family or do you like to just be at home? Explain.**

**12/19:**

**At the end of the story, Dr. Sayer says this quote, “The human spirit is more powerful than any drug ad that is what needs to be nourished. Work, play, family, these are the things that matter. Theses are what we had forgotten—the simplest things.” What do you think this means? How does it relate to the story based on what you have seen so far?**