***Here is a somewhat comprehensive list of \*most\* of the journal prompts from our unit on Farewell to Manzanar. If you have missed days of class, it is your responsibility to go through this list and determine what prompts you have missed.***

1. Are there ever circumstances that would warrant internment/concentration camps? Why/Why Not?
2. If you had to evacuate your home like Jeanne, what three non-essential, purely sentimental items would you bring?
3. Shikata Ga Nai – what does this mean and why is it significant?
4. Describe the conditions at the camp, why do the Wakatsukis not complain more? Why are they so agreeable at this point?
5. Define Justice – provide concrete, real-life examples of what Justice looks like.
6. Define Injustice – provide concrete, real-life examples of what Injustice looks like.
7. Describe Papa’s cane and why it was so important to him.
8. Describe Papa’s family and background story.
9. Describe Mama’s family and background story.
10. Discuss the riot that breaks out in Chapter 9, why does it start?
11. What is the loyalty oath and why is it so divisive?
12. What does an answer of YES YES symbolize on the loyalty oath? What is an Inu?
13. Why does the Wakatsuki family move to Block 28? In what way does this represent a change from “the outrageous to the tolerable”?
14. Discuss Jeanne’s exploration of religion – why does she resume her studies with the nuns? Why is Papa against it?
15. Why did Jeanne’s family hesitate to leave Manzanar?
16. Why did the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima sharpen Jeanne’s family’s worry?
17. Why did many families resist leaving the camps after they were formally closed?
18. Define Respect – provide concrete, real-life examples of what Respect looks like.
19. Discuss and analyze this quote: “You cannot deport 110,000 people unless you have stopped seeing individuals.”
20. Discuss and analyze this quote: “As I came to understand what Manzanar had meant, it gradually filled me with shame for being a person guilty of something enormous enough to deserve that kind of treatment.”
21. What effect does it have on Jeanne to take her children to see the remains of Manzanar?

Many of the additional prompts were inspired by class discussion or questions. Please partner up with a buddy and check their journals for further prompts.