ELA 10

Comprehension Questions for “Superman and Me” by Sherman Alexie

**DUE: Thursday, August 28th or Friday, August 29th**

**DIRECTIONS:** Please answer the following questions in 3-5 sentences on a separate sheet of paper. Be sure to answer in complete sentences and to address all parts of the question.

* + 1. There are several ways in which Alexie’s family and experience growing up was different from those around him. Identify a few ways this was so.
    2. In his beginning, how was it that Alexie learned to “read”?
    3. Describe how his early success is responded to on the reservation. Do you agree with Alexie that this response would have been different had he been growing up elsewhere? Why or why not?
    4. Why do you think—as Alexie asserts—that Indians (his term) accepted only other Indians who failed?
    5. What is Superman doing in the comic book panel Alexie remembers? Why is it important to remember this detail at the very end of the essay?