**Creative Extensions**

**The Contender by Robert Lipsyte**

**Chapter 2**

**Design an original book cover for the book, so do not copy the book’s cover. Make sure the title and the author’s name are included. Be neat, be creative, and use color. Use this book cover as the title page for your novel study duo tang. (10 marks)**

**Chapter4**

**Create a dialogue of how you think the conversation would have gone if Alfred had told Uncle Wilson about Mr. Donatelli and his boxer training. It should be one page. (10 marks)**

**Chapter 6**

**Pick one of the boxers from Chapter 6. Find the way the author described the character and create a caricature illustration. Be accurate and use color. (10 marks)**

**Chapter 7-8**

**Alfred remembers a good time he once had with James after the two of them had found a boxing and wrestling magazine. Write a 300 word memory about a time you and a friend laughed together when you were younger. (10 marks)**

**Chapter 13 & 14**

**You are a radio announcer describing the fight. Take a part of the fight description from Chapter 14 and write it as if you were describing what was happening. Record or read the fight play by play as if you were the announcer. This may be presented to the class or to me individually. (10 marks)**

**Chapter 19 & 20**

**Write a paragraph describing Alfred Brooks. Describe at least three key events including the people that have shaped who he has become. Write a paragraph describing the obstacles and challenges Alfred has faced in the book? Who was there for Alfred to help him overcome these obstacles and burdens? What is the underlying moral message presented in the book? Do you have a career goal? What do you need to become a contender?. Answer should be 1 page. (20 marks)**

**The Contender Vocabulary**

**Define each term below and use each in a sentence.**

**Chapter 1**

**1. stoop**

**2. perpetual**

**3. jangled**

**4. sheepish**

**5. superintendent**

**Chapter 2**

**1. calloused**

**2. tenement**

**3. antiseptic**

**4. liniment**

**5. murky**

**Chapter 3**

**Choose 5 unfamiliar terms**

**Chapter 4**

**serenely**

**nationalist**

**rally**

**listlessness**

**leaflets**

**serene**

**suave**

**sophomore**

**Chapter 5**

**trudge**

**bunions**

**Chapter 6**

**satchel**

**valise**

**patent**

**spar**

**Chapter 7**

**marquee**

**elegantly**

**frankfurter**

**shrill**

**upholstered**

**Chapter 11**

**sprawled**

**conga drums**

**Chapter 12**

**swaggered**

**transistors**

**delicatessen**

**junk**

**Chapters 13 – 16**

**pivoted**

**lurched**

**luncheonette**

**polio**

**sluggish**

**integrated**

**stethoscope**

**heaving**

**uppercut**

**canvas**

**horn-rimmed**

**Terms for 17 – 20**

**clattered**

**sprawled**

**clinches**

**instinct**

**feverish**

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