

Throughout the book *Wonder*, by R.J. Palacio, the character of Mr. Browne introduces monthly precepts to his students.

These precepts are general rules or pieces of advice intended to regulate or help a person monitor or think about his or her thoughts and/or behaviors.

**Your Assignments:**

1. In the back of the novel there is an Appendix with a section entitled Mr. Browne's Precepts. Choose one of **his** precepts (**not** one of the student precepts) and type one paragraph (8-10 sentences) containing the following elements:
  - a. Quote the precept you chose and explain what you think it means. (Some of these are difficult! Be sure that you can support your ideas, and you'll be fine.)
  - b. Why did you choose the precept?
  - c. How can you apply the precept to your own life personally and/or academically?
  - d. Connect this precept to an event from the story.
2. Watch the movie (if you haven't seen it already or don't remember it well) and identify three contrasts between the book and the movie. Be sure to describe both the book version and the movie version with detail. For each example you identify, you must justify why you prefer one version of the story over the other. This should also be an 8-10 sentence paragraph.
3. You will also write at least two strong questions about the storyline for class discussion when you return in August. Below are some examples of the type of questions you should be drafting ("yes" and "no" questions are NOT an option):
  - a. What qualities does Auggie's family have that help support him as he struggles to fit in at school?
  - b. Do you think Auggie ultimately sees himself as ordinary or extraordinary? Do other people in his life think about this differently?

**References:**

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