

***Al Capone Shines My Shoes***  
**Socratic Seminar Entrance Ticket**

***PLEASE COMPLETE AND BRING ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL WITH YOUR SUMMER READING BOOK.***

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Directions: Write a **2-3 paragraph** response to **each** of the questions below in preparation for the Socratic Seminar discussion we will have during the first week of school. Find quotations from the story to support each opinion and copy them below. Please identify the **page number** where the quotation can be found.

**1.** Characterization is the method used by a writer to develop a character. The method includes (1) displaying the character's actions, (2) revealing the character's thoughts, (3) letting the character speak, and (4) getting the reactions of other characters.

What kind of person is Darby Trixle? How does the author characterize him?

Quote 1:

Quote 2:

Quote 3:

2-3 paragraph response:

2. Discuss the issue of trust in this novel. Who has a relationship built on trust, and who is trustworthy?

Quote 1:

Quote 2:

Quote 3:

2-3 paragraph response:

**Reflection** (to be complete AFTER the seminar):

1) Self Assessment

Frequently contributes <b>meaningfully</b> to the discussion and stays on topic	5	4	3	2	1
Uses quotes to support opinions	5	4	3	2	1
Draws others into the discussions	5	4	3	2	1
Piggybacks off what others say	5	4	3	2	1
Actively listens (body language)	5	4	3	2	1

2) Explain how today's discussion changed or reinforced your ideas about the topic or the text(s).