**Assessment Task**

Please read the excerpt “A Paddling of Ducks” from Ryan’s novel, *Becoming Naomi Leon*. Write an essay that explains how this text is representative of Ryan’s narrative techniques and content. Be sure to include textual evidence to develop your explanation. You may use your class notes and the posted charts in the room as you write.

**Getting started on your assessment:**

First, read the excerpt from *Becoming Naomi Leon* to get its gist. Then, take notes on the excerpt’s literary elements such as its narrator, characters, events, and setting. Your notes may be used as your textual evidence.