Ch. 1-4 Response to Reading:

1. Think of the absolute worst thing you’ve ever done. For some of you, it’s very private; for others, people have found out about it. My question is this: which is worse? Having everyone know exactly what you did and think about that every time they see you? Or living lonely with the hidden guilt and fear of people finding out? How have you handled it? Do you wish you’d handled it differently? (Write ¾ - full page)
2. In Chapter two the women are the most harsh with Hester; they are highly critical and degrading to one of their own. Is this still true of women? Are women today like this? Support your answer. (1/2 pg)
3. In Chapter 2 there is the following quote: “A blessing on the righteous Colony of the Massachusetts, where iniquity is dragged out into the sunshine!” Is this still true of American culture? Do we still love to publicize the sins of others? Do we enjoy their downfall? (1/2 pg)
4. Choose two passages that stand out to you: write them down, and explain why you think they are important. (1/2 pg each)