**TRANSCENDENTALISM BACKGROUND**

You will read the texts I’ve given you, along with the following textbook pages:

* 170-2
* 203-4

**Required Notes**

Using the texts I’ve given you, you need to become educated in regards to many aspects of Transcendentalism. I’ve broken down this philosophy into various topic areas, and your job is to acquire as much knowledge as possible regarding these topics from our texts. My advice to you: create a new page of notes for each of these headings. As you read, highlight or underline major ideas and compile them into your notes. You will be expected **to be full of understanding, ideas, and assumptions** regarding these topics

The topics:

* The individual
* Nature
* Truth
* Oversoul/God/religion
* Morality (right vs. wrong)
* Life/time
* The word “transcend”
* Ralph Waldo Emerson