**C.E.R.A. Individual Writing Prompts – “My Name” by Sandra Cisneros**

Please respond to the following questions (in pen).

**Part I. Summary**

1. In your own words, write a short summary (one or two sentences) of this place.

**Part II. Reading Process**

1. What kinds of things were happening in your mind as you read this?
2. What did you do that helped you to understand the reading?
3. What questions or problems do you still have with this piece?

**Part III. Self-Assessment**

1. How easy or difficult was this piece for you? (circle one)

Pretty easy not too hard pretty hard too hard

1. How well would you say you understood this piece?

**Part IV. Comprehension Questions**

1. What is the central idea in "My Name"?
2. Why do you think Esperanza would rather be called *Zeze the X*? What characteristics would make a name like this appropriate? What does this name choice tell you about Esperanza?
3. Tone is how the speaker feels about a subject. What words can be used to identify the tones of the speaker in this excerpt? Provide details to support your choices.
4. What is the main symbol in "My Name"? What does it mean?
5. Choose one or more of the metaphorical comparisons and explain why the author decides to use this/these images.