BEFORE READING –
1. **Paraphrase the following quote:**
   
   "There are no great people in the world, only great challenges which ordinary people rise to meet."
   
   **Type below OR on your own paper**

DURING READING –
2. **Respond to any 5 of the following Close Read questions.**  Type below OR on your own paper

   1. According to the article, why is diphtheria a dangerous illness?
   2. How would you describe the town of Nome?
   3. Why did doctors in Nome need the serum?
   4. Why was it important for the serum to be administered quickly?
   5. According to the **glossary**, what does **bleak** mean?
   6. What does it mean by the phrase, “other cities have serum to spare”?
   7. How did the location of Nome make it difficult to transport the serum?
   8. How did the weather make it difficult for the people of Nome to get serum?
   9. According to the **glossary**, what is a musher?

3. **Respond to the following questions with EVIDENCE from the text.**

   1. In the first paragraph, how does the author support his claim that the situation “looked bleak?”  In your answer, cite at least 2 details.
2. What details show that dog sledding is not a sport for everyone?

3. The main idea of the “Four-Legged Heroes” section is that mushers and dogs are heroes. What details are used to support this claim?

AFTER READING –

4. Return to the quote at the beginning of this sheet. Write a 3 paragraph essay about how this quote applies to the “Serum Run to Nome” OR a real person you know. In the INTRODUCTION state the quote and introduce the person you will write about and their challenge. In your BODY paragraph be sure to include specifics about who the person is, what type of challenge they faced, and how they met their challenge. In the CONCLUSION wrap up your essay by reminding readers of your main point. Type here OR on your own paper