

For each chapter of *The Plague* you will have three quotes you picked out with the identified literary device and your short analysis as shown in the example from our first day of talking about *The Plague*:

Bell Jar Dialectic Log

Quoted Passage

Language Device

Making Meaning

Chapter 1:

"It was a QUEER, sultry summer, the summer they electrocuted the Rosenbergs, and I didn't know what I was doing in New York." (1)	Historical allusion	Referring to the Rosenbergs who were executed by electrocution which establishes the time period of the story.
"The idea of being electrocuted makes me sick, and that's all there was to read about in the papers" (1)	Foreshadowing	Later on in the book Esther is trying to get cured for trying to kill herself and the "cure" is shock therapy which she hates.
"Everything she said was like a secret voice speaking straight out of my own bones." (7)	Simile	Esther is saying that she feels like everything Doreen says <u>outloud</u> is what she feels and would want to say.