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This play is about absolutely nothing; yet somehow it is about something. – Will Westbrook, AP Student
“Nothing happens, nobody comes, nobody goes, it's awful.” -- Lines from the play

1. Author Background -- Where did you find this information? Please cite your sources. 2 cards
 2. Literary Period and country – include Theatre of the Absurd and why author wrote work. Please cite your sources. 2 cards
 3. Setting of novel (time and place) ½ card
 4. Characters-- one card per character; three substantial and meaningful quotes on the back of each card 6 cards
 - a. Vladimir/ Didi **add page numbers for quotes**; write meaningful quotes, not the shortest ones
 - b. Estragon/ Gogo
 - c. Pozzo
 - d. Lucky
 - e. Boy Messenger
 - f. Godot
- Chose quotes that exhibit the personality of each character or in some way reflect a theme of the work.

Please turn in cards in correct order.
5. Theme(s) 4 cards
 - a. the Nature of suffering
 - b. "the tears of the world"
 - c. solving problems rationally
 - d. Dependence
 - e. Physical and Spiritual condition
 - f. Waiting and going
 - g. “it is not everyday we are needed”
 - h. “We are all born mad. Some remain so.”
 6. Plot Summary-- 6 cards
 7. Unique Literary Devices – Don’t just tell me that these items are in the novel, how do they add to the theme(s) of the novel? 6 cards
 - a. Allusion – there are others but these are required
 1. Adam
 2. Englishman joke
 3. “Hope deferred maketh the something sick...”
 4. Two thieves on the cross
 5. Rhone River
 6. grapes
 - b. Irony
 - c. Symbols -- there are others but these are required
 1. hat switching
 2. boots
 3. Gogo's nightmare
 4. laughter
 5. willow tree
 6. road
 7. Lucky’s speech
 8. world-as-a-muckheap
 9. fetal position
 10. blind
 - d. tone
 - e. Circus parody
 - f. Antithesis -*how is the play an antithesis? not which characters are antithesis.*
 8. Circular Structure of Play 1 card – *don’t explain how the play is circular; explain WHY it is circular.*
 9. Critical Essay 3 cards
 10. Your Choice - Find one more biblical allusion - you find it, identify it, and explain its literary relevance. It needs to be a FULL card and be explained in DETAIL - 1 card