Freshman English

*Bean Trees*, ch. 6

Individual Work

After you finish the quiz, please complete the following questions individually. Use evidence from the text (quotes) for support. We will discuss these questions in class tomorrow. When you have finished the questions, please read and annotate chapter 7. Chapter 7 is due tomorrow.

1. Review the following quotation: “I noticed Mattie looking at me with her arms crossed. Just watching. I missed Mama so much my chest hurt” (85). Explain the significance of this statement. How does Taylor view Mattie? What does the quotation suggest about the importance of their relationship?

2. Many of the characters are living alone or away from their families—what is the text beginning to show about family? What is the message that we’re getting so far?

3. Who are the people at Mattie’s shop? What information have we been given? What might be the significance of this information? Make a thoughtful prediction here.

4. Characterize Lou Ann and Taylor’s friendship.