

## Grade 7 ELA

### Tellagami: What is Your Response?

A reading response asks the reader (you) to examine, explain and defend his/her personal reaction to a text. You may be asked to explore why you like or dislike a text, explain whether you agree or disagree with the author, identify the text's purpose, and critique the text. *There is no right or wrong answer to a reading response!* However, it is important that you demonstrate an understanding of the text and clearly explain and support your reactions.

As we watch the “Gamis” (*the text*) that all of the students produced about one of their Writing Territories, I want you to analyze each “Gami” and carefully consider the following questions:

- ❖ Did you connect personally to any of the Gamis? What was the connection?
- ❖ Did you learn anything interesting about one of your peers from the Gamis?
- ❖ Can you make any **text-self**, **text-text** and/or **text-world** connections related to the Gamis?
- ❖ How did you enjoy the Gamis?
- ❖ What Gamis did you find the most interesting and why?
- ❖ If one Gami could be developed into a short film, which one would you choose and why?
- ❖ To summarize, what is your overall view/opinion of the Gamis?

**Task:** Write a paragraph (7 – 10 sentences) to capture your thoughts about the Gamis based upon the notes you took while you viewed each student’s work. Some of the sentence starters below may assist you. Be specific and use evidence from the Gamis!

This part reminds me of....

I felt like... (peer) when I....

If that happened to me I would....

This Gami reminds me of... because....

Something similar happened to me when....