*The Glass Castle* Quote Analysis 1 (pages 1-48) Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. “You want to help me change my life?” Mom asked. “I’m fine. You’re the one who needs help. Your values are all confused.” (page 5)
   1. Is Rosemary satisfied with her life and the decisions she has made? Explain.
   2. Analysis (what does the quote say about the characters, plot, etc.):
2. That was the thing about the hospital. You never had to worry about running out of stuff like food or ice or even chewing gum. I would have been happy staying in that hospital forever (page 12).
   1. What does this quote say about the Walls family?
   2. Analysis (what does the quote say about the characters, plot, etc.):
3. Mom, however, told us that the FBS wasn’t really after Dad; he just liked to say they were because it was more fun having the FBI on your tail than bill collectors (page 21).
   1. Why would Rex prefer to have a pretend FBI chasing him over real life bill collectors?
   2. Analysis (what does the quote say about the characters, plot, etc.):
4. When Dad wasn’t telling us about all the amazing things he had already done, he was telling us about the wondrous things he was going to do. Like build the Glass Castle (page 28)
   1. What does the Glass Castle represent to the kids? To Rex?
   2. Analysis (what does the quote say about the characters, plot, etc.):
5. I wondered if the fire had been out to get me. I wondered if all fire was related, like dad said all humans were related, if the fire that had burned me that day while I cooked hot dogs was somehow connected to the fire I had flushed down the toilet and the fire burning at the hotel. I didn't have the answers to those questions, but what I did know was that I lived in a world that at any moment could erupt into fire. It was the sort of knowledge that kept you on your toes (page 34).
   1. What does Jeannette think about her family life according to this quote?
   2. Analysis (what does the quote say about the characters, plot, etc.):
6. It’s the Joshua tree’s struggle that give it its beauty (page 45).
   1. How does this quote from Rosemary represent what she thinks about life?
   2. Analysis (what does the quote say about the characters, plot, etc.):

Reflection:

In your own words, explain who you think is the worse parent: Rex or Rosemary, and explain your reasoning for picking that parent.