

Name: _____ Date: _____ Class: _____

“Retail Therapy” Close Reading Questions:

Directions: After reading “Retail Therapy” and using your **annotation** strategy, answer the following questions using specific examples from the text. Each question is worth five points and will be a graded class work assignment for the second quarter. *These questions are also review for Q2 unit exam at the end of December. **This is due at the end of class and is homework due tomorrow (12/4) if you do not finish.**

1. Re-read paragraphs 1-4. What does each paragraph describe? (*Inform* you about?)

➤ Paragraph 1 describes:

➤ Paragraph 2 describes:

➤ Paragraph 3 describes:

➤ Paragraph 4 describes:

2. In paragraph 3, how does the author's use of the phrase "It's a far cry from the early days, when most people were limited to the staples they could find at their town's general store" contribute to the **meaning of the passage**? (*help show the meaning/message of the passage*)

3. Why does it seem logical (make sense) that stores will never disappear? Explain your answer **using two reasons provided in the article**.

4. What is the **central idea** of the article? Explain how you know by **citing specific examples from the text**. ("RACE")