

Run Novel

Culminating Activity

We have finished reading the novel Run, and have learned more about the Marathon of Hope, you are to reflect on what you have learned and the impact of Terry Fox. Your task is to write a one-page letter to Doug Alward, Terry's best friend and driver of the van. In your letter I would like you to consider the following questions. Each section below represents a new paragraph.

Recount

Explain what role Doug Alward played in the Marathon of Hope.

Give some examples of how Doug was a great friend to Terry Fox.

Explain the term "selfless". Why would you consider Doug a "selfless" giving person? Be sure to give some examples.

Making Connections

Can you explain a time when you or someone you know had to make sacrifices for a greater good?

What qualities do you have that Doug or Terry also possessed? Be sure you are specific and explain when you have shown them.

If you could have a conversation with Doug, what questions would you want to ask him? How do you think he would respond?

Application

What would have happened if Doug had not assisted Terry on the run?

What would you like to thank Doug for, in the role he played in the Marathon of Hope?

What impact has the Marathon of Hope had on our country and Canadians?

Has Terry Fox's fight to find a cure for cancer been a failure? Be sure to explain your thinking.