Pre-reading What is the significance of 451 degrees Fahrenheit?	Pre-reading Ray Bradbury claims that he wrote this novel in the early 1950s trying to "prevent the future" rather than predict it. Why would an author do that?	Pre-reading What is censorship? Why does society censor things like books and music?
Part 1 Explain the role of future firemen and comment on Captain Beatty's explanation of how books came to be banned and burned.	Part 1 Describe Clarisse McClellan's character.	Part 1 Describe Mildred Montag's character.
Part 1 Analyze the symbolism of the mechanical hound.	Part 1 Montag is horrified when the old woman chooses to die with her books. Why does she do this?	Part 1 Identify five (5) things about American life that Bradbury seems to criticize in this part of the novel. Do you think his criticisms are valid? Explain.

Technology Analysis

Bradbury wrote this novel in the early 1950s; however, some of the technology he describes are things that we have and use on a daily basis. He may call them something different, but their function and purpose is still very similar. Begin making a list of the technology described in the novel. Then, compare it to something that we currently have.

**Something to Consider—Do you believe that this technology developed because someone read this book and decided to create it?

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