Notes from 4-9-07

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Chapter 2	Mascot is a Pink Poodle
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Class Discussion

- Knew that he was going to die. How can someone prepare to die?

    1. "Ran his mouth" so much that it was obvious to him that he was going to die.

- His father favored him for being lighter, not only his father but society

    1. Mom wanted to be darker, she had gotten fired once because they found out

that she was black.

- Nigger- to be ignorant or incompetent (not as good)

- Father was against credit, should own their stuff. Credit cards are like a form of slavery.

    1. His father- wants to go back to Africa

    2. Booker-T- wants to coincide with whites

- Insurance won't pay for Dad's death. Said it must have been a suicide.

- Whites don't see blacks as the same, even though they were free; however, they weren't free from oppression.

- Tells his teacher that he wants to be a lawyer. The teacher wants his kids to be the best they can be, but he tells Malcom not to be a lawyer and to be a carpenter. (all kids want to be doctors and lawyers when they are younger, is it right to tell them they can't be)

- Wouldn't have written book if he hadn't moved to Boston

- Teacher always makes jokes, but he probably isn't kidding. What he says are his subconscious feelings.

    1. Malcom's highest education was 8th grade

    2. After 8th grade, he goes to Boston to start working

- Couldn't sell reefer because people knew him

    1. Robbed other black people

    2. Glad he went to jail-been there done that type of aura

    3. This jail time saved him because he could have been killed with the road he was on.

-        Sex has no color.