

8th Writing

Do Now Packet # _____

Dates: August 22nd – August 29th

Name: _____ # _____

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MONDAY

Week 21

Letters from Panama

january 10 1906

dear Amelia,

the voyidge was long but I finally arrived in panamas canal zone many other workers have came here for jobs like me. Although the work will be strenuous and laden with peril the wages are good. When the canal is finnished ships will no longer have to sail around south america. I miss my family, but I'm fine, things arent bad for us here in Panama

Your loving Husband,

samuel



- dates
- run-on sentences
- misplaced modifiers
- commas

TUESDAY

Week 21

march 17 1906,

Dear Amelia

The acomodations here are comfortable enough, the company provides three cooked meals a day at a reasonable price. Working conditions are fair; saftey is rightfully a consurn to all. Most laborers work six days a week, the men gather on sundays to play chess or maybe even baseball. A few men in the barracks have became ill with yellow fever Dont worry about me. Im taking meassures to stay healthy.

Much love:

Samuel



- commas
- apostrophes
- run-on sentences

Name _____

WEDNESDAY

Week 21

april 15 1906

Dear amelia;

Despite outbreak's of disease in the barracks. I am in excellent health. My good friend martin is suffering with Yellow Fever. In the beginning, he had a awful headache and great thirst. Yesterday he was delirious speaks aimlessly and had yellowish skin. We gave him a mustard bath but it didnt help much. People say that mosquitoes spread yellow fever. Good grief. This hot hummid place is filled with mosquitoes!

Love

sam



- personal names
- incomplete sentences
- commas
- end punctuation

THURSDAY

Week 21

may 20 1906

Dear Amelia—

Thankfully, martin has recovered. Hooray. Many american workers, though, are leaving panama. Because of yellow fever malaria and other contajuss diseases, which spreads especially fast in the cramped barracks. Where living conditions are worst than elsewhere. The “mosquito brigades”, which were organized last year, periodically fumigate areas to reduce mosquito populations. Things should gradually improve for us.

Yours Truly

Samuel



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