

## **Gifted English 9**

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- Where will you travel in pursuit of this learning? Be precise about the location and the reason.
- What will you have to sacrifice to pursue your intellectual goals?

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- Compose at least five letters addressed to a particular person. (Remember that Walton writes to his sister, Mrs. Saville.) Your letters should document your preparation and travel, your intellectual pursuits and obstacles faced, and the consequences of your discovery. Date the letters appropriately and include details about your actions and your emotions.

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