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AP English Literature & Composition – Coach Peralta

THE METAMORPHOSIS
Part 2 Discussion Questions

1. Describe how and what Gregor eats.
2. What is his family situation like?
3. How does Gregor's sister treat him differently from the way he is treated by his parents?
4. How does Gregor entertain himself?
5. Why doesn't Gregor want his furniture moved out?
6. What kind of changes does Gregor notice in his father?
7. As the story progresses, Gregor's family responds in a way which surprises us. We expect kindness and maybe curiosity, but not fear and hatred. Look at the family as a catalyst for his change and his continual loss of human memory and instinct. This evaluation covers character motivation. Look at the motivations of each family member.
8. Gregor's father is especially violent towards him and inflicts a terrible physical injury. What may this symbolize?
9. Discuss how the symbolic significance of starvation in this part of the novella.