- 1) Why did the other animals think that the owl was a god?
- 2) Which animal was the first one to start the rumor that the owl was a god?
- 3) How did the rumor develop from there?
- 4) What happened to the red fox? Why?
- 5) What part did the hawk play in the story?
- 6) From your point of view, do you think that it is better to be an owl, a hawk, or a secretary bird?
- 7) Why do you think Thurber chose the secretary bird as the first one to have contact with the owl in the story?
- 8) From your experience, how easy is it for hearsay to turn into belief?
- 9) Have you ever experienced or been a part of a situation that started out as hearsay and became a belief? What was the outcome? (If you need more space for answer, use back of this paper. . )