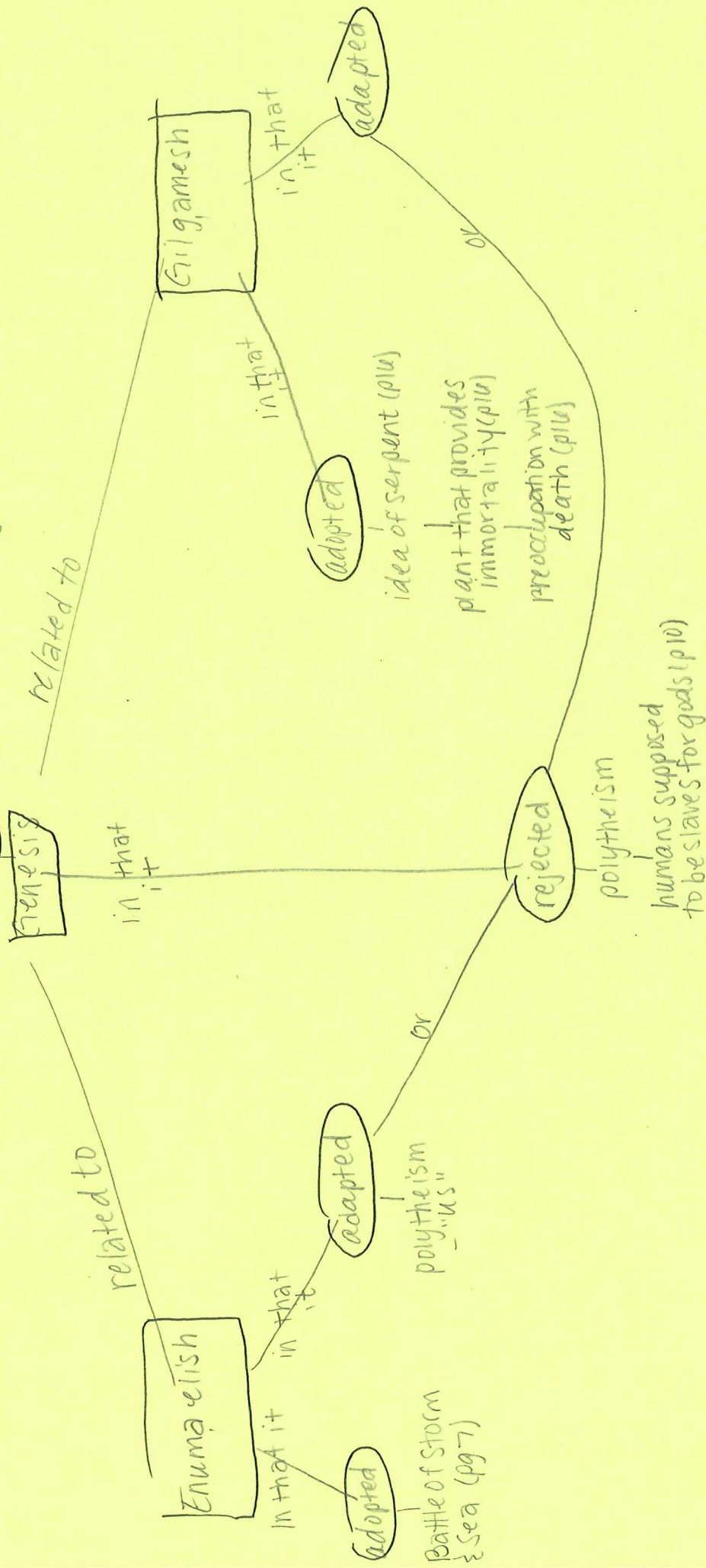


Names: Megan, Nick, Mackenzie

Thesis:

"In our elimination of these opening chapters, we will see how the biblical writers adopted, adapted, ~~rejected~~ rejected myths from the rest of the ancient ~~near~~ East."

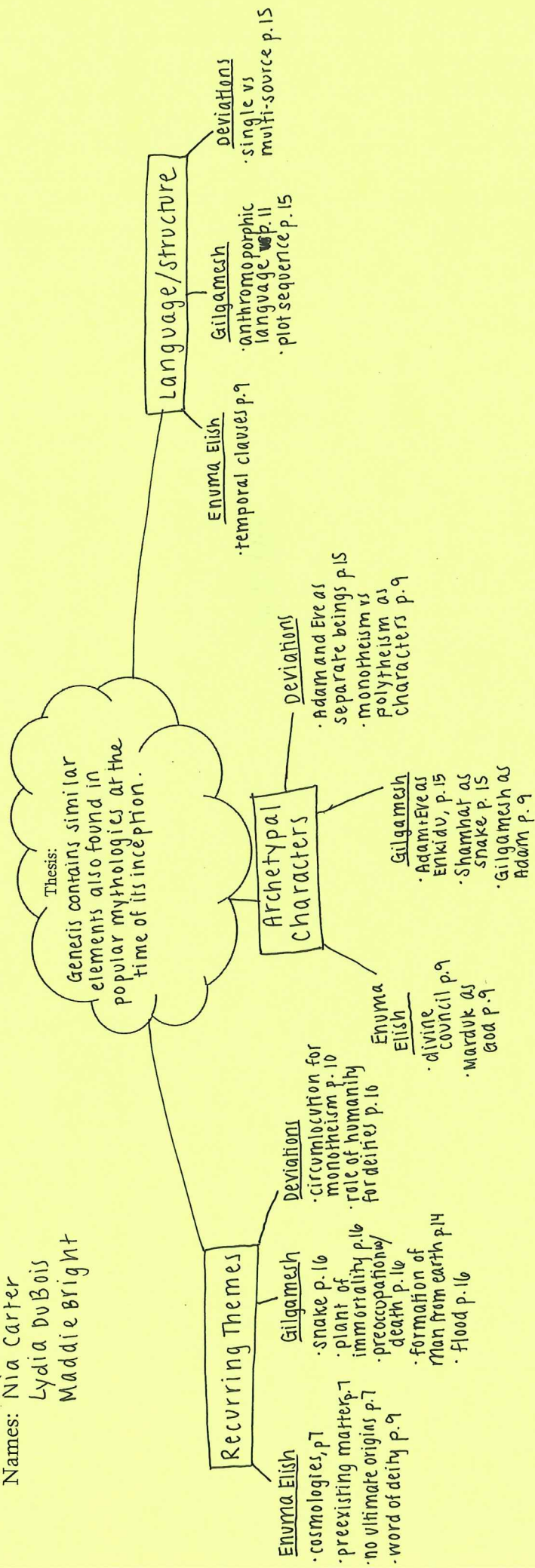
*Cogan's thesis unclear when differentiating among what specifically is adopted, adapted, or rejected



Names: Nia Carter

Lydia DuBois

Maddie Bright



Names: Palmer, Torey, Nick, Gardner

Thesis:

Comparing Genesis 1-3 with other ancient texts from the time period allows for a greater understanding of its significance

Gilgamesh

Similarities

Differences

1. Both compare knowledge of good/evil pg. 16-17
• knowledge of morals + intellectual maturity

2. Stories of indulgence pg. 16 → gain in wisdom

3. Both include a snake that relates to a plant that is linked to immortality (pg. 16)

4. In both stories the humans lose their closeness w/ nature (pg. 16)

1. Gilgamesh the morally unclear vs. the perfect and righteous God (pg. 15)

2. God as the creator vs. Anurru as the creator (pg. 15)

Enuma Elish

Similarities with Gen.

Differences with Gen.

1. Gen 1:2 could be alluding to the battle of the storm God and the primeval sea (pg. 7)
2. Both texts begin with a temporal clause on reality before the creation (pg. 7)

3. Both begin with "a series of births" and the idea of "generations" is mentioned in both texts (pg. 7)

1. The idea of polytheism instead of monotheism (pg. 7)
2. In EE, humans were created as slaves to Gods; In Genesis, humans are in charge of Earth (pg. 10)

Names: Danyal, Katherine, BT, JayDee

Thesis:

Coogan argues that Near Eastern texts inform one's understanding of Genesis because they establish a social & theological context

Writing Style similarities

Priestly vs. Enuma Elish

Pivotality of flood

"Set us...!"

similar cosmologies structurally

sexual consummation of God & Eden story?

Yahwist vs. Gilgamesh

Symbolic Similarities

- Serpent
- Tree of Knowledge
- Woman Tempts the man

Plot Similarities

Priestly vs. Enuma Elish

Dialogue between deities

God does not create from nothing, rather arranges cosmos

Enkidu vs. Adam

Yahwist vs. Gilgamesh

knowledge of good and evil