Activity: A *Raisin in the Sun* Evidence Retrieval Chart—Act I

Instructions:

1. For each of the characters listed, find at least one passage from the play in which this character's aspirations or ambitions are stated, referred to or shown. The speaker does not necessarily have to be the same as the character. For instance, Walter might make a statement about his sister, Beneatha, and her ambitions.
2. Make sure to note the speaker and the page number on which the passage appears.
3. After copying the passage, write your own thoughts about the passage. Aim to address the following issues in your response:
    - What do you think of the character and his/her ambitions?
    - Given the historical/social context, is the aspiration or ambition realistic? Why/why not?
    - What might be some obstacles for this character?
    - What might be some strengths that this character has that would help him/her overcome any obstacles?

Walter **Speaker:**_____ **Page:**_____	**Your Response:**
Mama	**Your Response:**

Speaker:_____ Page:_____	
Beneatha **Speaker:_____ Page:_____**	**Your Response:**
Travis **Speaker:_____ Page:_____**	**Your Response:**
Ruth **Speaker:_____ Page:_____**	**Your Response**