HW #1

1. Why am I here?

Maintain a healthy lifestyle Meet new people To get faster while having fun To push myself to be healthy & athletic be with best friends I Love the sport Keeps me fit and healthy love being with my friends I love it It helps me balance my life and relieve stress Have a Spartan Body be athletic loved it for so long, wouldn't stop now Enjoy it working hard is a good thing to know how do to being with friends I want to become a better swimmer Swimming is a huge part of my life that I have come to not be able to live without Would not know what to do with myself without swimming To get back into the shape and level I was before I got sick I want to get faster I want to beneifit the team Build self confidence To achieve goals Enjoy the excersize Good way to make friends Love being able to do a sport on a competitive level

2. How do I help this team?
Brownies on my birthday
Hand out seasonal candy on holidays
Support to my team members
Motiviating others to train harder and swim faster
I am very positive and I LOVE this team
Motivating others and acting as a role model to the younger kids to look up to
Motivate my friends at practice and meets
I connect with a lot of the team members
I am not so fast, but I try hard
I am pretty good looking
I stay serious during practice & I don't goof around
I set a good example for the younger kids on the team

I help the people who feel crappy or get down – I like to cheer them up I am the motivational ray of sunshine

Try to make friends or at least be friendly to all the kids on the team By swimming my best

By being cooperative, friendly and hard working

By lightening the mood and making people laugh

3. How could I help the team more Getting faster and motivating my teammates Getting faster Becoming a better listener Focusing more on really attacking the set Beasting every practice Nothing specific but If someone needs help I'll do whatever they ask if I can Work even harder during practice Cheer for people more at meets Filling more of a social niche – having parties and organizing team events I can try to do what the coaches tell me to do and make their day easier I could reach out to more kids, not just the PS, Sr and National Group Be faster and help others Go to practice more then I do Improve my self confidence and help improve everyone elses I could be more enthusiastic 4. How does this team help me?

Provides me with a positive environment Creating friendships that make me want to come to practice I am energized after almost every practice, socially fulfilled and genuinely happy I love coming to practice and the incredible feeling of accomplishment after I am fit and healthy It keeps things in perspective It is my athletic outlet Keeps me in a different set of friends I have a sense of belonging, sprortsmanship and how to be a good teammate Helps me in too many ways to list Knowing I will get to see my best friends and teammates gets me through the day It is like my second family Helps motivate me Gets me new friends Provides a second family to me Helps me achieve goals

5. How could the team better help me? No intervals with technique work Better supporting me and my thoughts Helping me when I am in need Motivate me more Push me and motivate me more Coaches try to be more understanding, although I know it's hard to understand teens Make things more fun Fire a coach and focus less on the top athletes and more on the group More training with machines With more team unity and increased coach rowdiness we could be even better We need more team building activities which could even be fundraisers Team sleepover Coaches could be more motivational and pay more attention during long sets Video – I'd like to know what I look like swimming More advice regarding injury prevention and technique 6. What could I be doing better as an athlete? Work on my breathing and technique more often

Work on my breathing and technique more often Making better food choices Motivating myself to swim when I'd rather relax More dryland excersizes on my own every day Eat healthier, although my diet is not bad I really need to kick it in and work hard at every practice I can eat better – try to stick to a diet and not ignore it Stay positive Work on technique I could try to branch out in my strokes Come to practice more I could hydrate better More self discipline Work harder I could be eating healthier Work hard and come to practice more I could work harder

7. What am I doing well now?
I come on time and work hard
I am beginning to consistently come to practice and listening to the coaches
I am working hard when I go to practice
Being a good teammate and making people happy
I am practicing well and trying my best during sets
Working hard every day
I have been coming a lot lately
I have been working my weak points
Staying positive and focused at practice
I am coming to practice
Trying my hardest to balance out school, friends, my boyfriend, swimming and studying – so far it's working

Working on breathing I am coming 5 days a week and working hard

8. Who on the team helps motivate me?
The coaches and people faster then me
The swimmers in my lane – they are the ones I suffer with
Anyone around me motivates me – whoever is directly in front of or behind me – this _ - - includes Maggie Regan, Mac Quinn, Erika Bjerklie, Katie Goulder, Jamie Fanous etc...
My friends and coaches
Sharkey, Jon, Matt, Marvin, Ellie and Chrissy
Marvin and Matt
Coaches, friends and older swimmers
My Best Friends
Kate and Ellie, Danny and Marvin
Coach Marc helped convince me to come back this year – thanks
Deanna Marinucci, Allison Lee and Theresa Oh
Danny and Mark help me by giving me confidence
Everyone who is being enthusiastic

9. Who on the team do I help motivate?

?

Alison Lee Lee I don't know I try to motivate the younger girls a lot I hope I motivate many people on our team w/ my enthusiasm most of the time I believe I push others to swim fast EVERYONE!!!! Younger kids Hopefully the younger kids and the others in my group My friends I hope I motivate everyone around me. I try my hardest to swim everything well and not -- do something "easy" that is supposed to be main set pace. I hope I keep everyone -- ------ motivated and excited to swim and do well I'd like to think everyone – I try to make swim practice fun Other kids