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You will be writing a three (3) paragraph essay **analyzing** (not summarizing) a theme within *To Kill A Mockingbird* (TKAM).

*“You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view... Until you climb inside of his skin and walk around in it.”*

This quote introduces a main theme. Create a thesis statement that gives the theme in your own words. Then write a three paragraph essay discussing this theme in TKAM. Identify and explain scenes or character actions that illustrate this theme. Please include at least two (2) examples from the text. There are many themes in the book. You may decide which theme you want to analyze. **You will need quotes to support your analysis.**

- Some other themes concern:
  - love between family members
  - love for humanity
  - having or developing a moral compass
  - standing up for what is right
  - saving or protecting innocents

#### I. Introduction

- A. Hook (question, quote, imagery, interesting statement)
- B. At least three supporting sentences to transition from hook to thesis
- C. Thesis statement (what are you trying to prove/explain):

#### II. Body Paragraph

- A. Topic Sentence 1(subtopic or subclaim; main idea for paragraph)
  1. Evidence A (examples/facts/quotes/details)  
Explanation of evidence A
  2. Evidence B (examples/facts/quotes/details)  
Explanation of evidence B
- B. Concluding Sentence (restate main idea of paragraph & transition to next paragraph)

#### III. Concluding Paragraph

- A. Reconfirm your argument/explanation
- B. Summarize/Restate your topic and subtopics, recounting how you have proven/explained it
- C. An idea to end essay – possibly a solution, challenge, or next steps