

# Night – Theme Essay

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# Topic:

- You are writing an informational essay explaining how Elie Wiesel develops various themes through his story.
  - I can write an informational essay.
  - I can explain how an author develops theme over the course of a text.
  - I can use correct grammar and writing techniques in an essay.

# On Level

○ You will be assigned 2 of the following themes. Each body paragraph will cover a different theme and you will need 3 examples of how that theme is seen throughout the story.

○ Faith            Complacency

○ Brutality       Camaraderie

○ Hope            Humiliation

○ Terror          Fear

○ Loss            Love

# Required Content...

- Your paper will need to begin with a short introduction (3-5 sentences): explain title/author of book, the topic of the book, and the themes you will be discussing)
- You will need 2 body paragraph (1 for each theme)
- And a conclusion paragraph (3-5 sentences): reflect on the impact the book has or the purpose of why it was written, and how it may have affected the audience (you).

# Honors

○ You will be assigned 3 of the following themes. Each body paragraph will cover a different theme and you will need 3 examples of how that theme is seen throughout the story.

○ Faith            Complacency

○ Brutality       Camaraderie

○ Hope            Humiliation

○ Terror          Fear

○ Loss            Love

# Required Content...

- Your paper will need to begin with a short introduction (5 sentences): explain title/author of book, the topic of the book, and the themes you will be discussing)
- You will need 3 body paragraph (1 for each theme)
- And a conclusion paragraph (5 sentences): reflect on the impact the book has or the purpose of why it was written, and how it may have affected the audience (you).

# Quotes...

- When you use a quote from a piece of literature you **MUST** cite it. This is the way you give credit to the original author.
- If you do not cite you are taking credit for something that is not yours and this is plagiarism. Plagiarism will result in an immediate **ZERO**, no make up, not re-do.
- To cite you need to put the author's last name and the page number of the quote at the end of the sentence the quote is used in.
  - When Elie Wiesel lost saw the awful things that happened in the concentration camp he lost his faith: "never shall I forget those flames that consumed my faith forever" (Wiesel 34).

# REMEMBER...

- You CANNOT use 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> person in a formal paper! No I, me, my, you, etc.
  - ONLY He, she, them, they, etc.
- Important people, places, and things need to be capitalized. This means “Holocaust” needs to be capitalized, “Nazis”, “Jews”, and any name all need to be capitalized.