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Essay Outline

Directions: Complete the following outline to help you organize your analytical essay.

I. Introduction. (first paragraph)

Broad Statement: (The first sentence. Includes the author's name, the title of the play, and a brief description of the plot. This may be two sentences)

Thesis: (This is the second sentence. It is the point of your essay and tells what you will prove. It can only be **one** sentence.)

ImPLY 1: (This is the third sentence. It needs to describe your first support for your thesis.)

ImPLY 2: (This is the fourth sentence. It needs to describe your second support for your thesis)

ImPLY 3: (This is the fifth sentence. It needs to describe your third support for your thesis)

Concluding sentence: (This is the sixth sentence. Make a conclusion about the point of your essay-- refer back to your thesis.)

II. **Imply 1/First Body Paragraph** (second paragraph)

Topic sentence: (Match it with your first Imply, but reword it.)

First Detail/Evidence: (Explain an event that happened that supports your topic sentence—Imply 1)

Quote to support first detail/evidence: (To further support your previous example, take a quote from the event that you just described.)

Second Detail/Evidence: (Explain another event that happened that supports your topic sentence—Imply 1)

Quote to support second detail/evidence: (not required if a quote was already used, but you may use it to further support your previous example.)

Concluding sentence: (Wrap up what you just wrote in this paragraph and then use it to connect/transition into your next paragraph. You want this sentence to hint at what your next paragraph will be about.)

III. **Imply 2/Second Body Paragraph** (third paragraph)

Topic sentence: (Match it with your second Imply, but reword it.)

First Detail/Evidence: (Explain an event that happened that supports your topic sentence—Imply 2)

Quote to support first detail/evidence: (To further support your previous example, take a quote from the event that you just described.)

Second Detail/Evidence: (Explain another event that happened that supports your topic sentence—Imply 2)

Quote to support second detail/evidence: (not required if a quote was already used, but you may use it to further support your previous example.)

Concluding sentence: (Wrap up what you just wrote in this paragraph and then use it to connect/transition into your next paragraph. You want this sentence to hint at what your next paragraph will be about.)

IV. Imply 3/Third Body Paragraph (fourth paragraph)

Topic sentence: (Match it with your third Imply, but reword it.)

First Detail/Evidence: (Explain an event that happened that supports your topic sentence—Imply 3)

Quote to support first detail/evidence: (To further support your previous example, take a quote from the event that you just described.)

Second Detail/Evidence: (Explain another event that happened that supports your topic sentence—Imply 3)

Quote to support second detail/evidence: (not required if a quote was already used, but you may use it to further support your previous example.)

Concluding sentence: (Wrap up what you just wrote in this paragraph and then use it to connect/transition into your next paragraph. You want this sentence to hint at what your next paragraph will be about.)

IV. Concluding Paragraph/ Fifth Paragraph: (Wrap up your essay. In 4-5 sentences, write and reword your thesis and also mention your Implies. You may add another sentence or two about what has been learned or accomplished by the characters.)
