**Character Essay 1st Draft**

*You will take the information you outlined in your “Analysis Brainstorm” packet and in your “Quote Analysis Stations” packet to craft a 1st draft. This handout will help ensure that you craft a well-structured, clear essay with the content you already crafted on Tuesday and Wednesday.*

*You can use what you have written in your previous packets to plug in to this handout. Once you have plugged the information into this handout, you will pretty much have a solid 1st draft!*

*To earn full points, you need to fill in all the white space and show a high level of effort on constructing this essay.*

*This handout is due at the beginning of class on Friday.*

**Introduction – Your introduction should grab the readers’ attention (hook), state what your paper will cover (overview), and then explain what your paper will prove (thesis).**

* Hook: *a question, a large statement, something to grab the audience’s attention. Should be related to the main idea of your paper.*

Write your hook here:

* Overview of your paper: *You need to explain what your paper will cover in the body paragraphs. Let the audience know what you will discuss in your paper so that they are clear on your purpose.*

Write your overview here:

* Thesis: *Your thesis needs to state what your paper (body paragraphs) will prove. You can set up your thesis by saying “This paper will…” or you can just state what you will do.*

Write your thesis here:

**Body Paragraphs – Your body paragraphs should state what your body paragraph will prove (topic sentence), present your main point (point), provide evidence to support your point (evidence), and then explain your evidence (explanation). Finally, you should explain what your body paragraph has proven (concluding sentence).**

* Topic Sentence - *Your topic sentence needs to state what your body paragraph will prove.*

Write your topic sentence here:

* Point – *Your point needs to be clear and strong, and must support/prove the thesis.*

Write your point here:

* Evidence – *Your evidence needs to be succinct and in your own words. What evidence do you have that can prove your point? Provide that evidence.*

Write your evidence here:

* Explanation – *Your explanation needs to clarify your evidence. Help the reader to understand the evidence and how it proves your point.*

Write your explanation here:

**Body Paragraph 2 – Your 2nd Body Paragraph should explore how your chosen quote connects to other works**

* Topic Sentence - *Your topic sentence needs to state what your body paragraph will prove.*

Write your topic sentence here:

* Point – *Your point needs to be clear and strong, and must support/prove the thesis.*

Write your point here:

* Evidence – *Your evidence needs to be succinct and in your own words. What evidence do you have that can prove your point? Provide that evidence.*

Write your evidence here:

* Explanation – *Your explanation needs to clarify your evidence. Help the reader to understand the evidence and how it proves your point.*

Write your explanation here:

**Body Paragraph 3 – Your 3rd Body Paragraph should explore how your chosen quote connects to world events.**

* Topic Sentence - *Your topic sentence needs to state what your body paragraph will prove.*

Write your topic sentence here:

* Point – *Your point needs to be clear and strong, and must support/prove the thesis.*

Write your point here:

* Evidence – *Your evidence needs to be succinct and in your own words. What evidence do you have that can prove your point? Provide that evidence.*

Write your evidence here:

* Explanation – *Your explanation needs to clarify your evidence. Help the reader to understand the evidence and how it proves your point.*

Write your explanation here:

**Conclusion – Your Conclusion needs to show what your paper has discussed, the main points you raised, the points you have proven, and how you have proven your thesis.**

Write your conclusion here: