Character Analysis Essay

Third Quarter Book Report

**Due Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Assignment**: For this book report, students will write a character analysis using a major character from their SSR book. Once students have chosen a character to analyze, they will choose three adjectives that describe that character. These adjectives, or character traits, will serve as the basis of their five-paragraph essay.

**Requirements**: Students’ thesis statement should be stated directly in their introduction and should be proven throughout their body paragraphs. Students must use at least one quotation from the novel in each of the three body paragraphs to support their ideas.

These quotations must be correctly documented according to MLA guidelines. Teacher and students will review this documentation in class in. All essays must be typed in 12-point font, Times New Roman and double-spaced. The paper must have a title.

Length – Essays should be at least one full page typed, but no more than two pages. Students will use the graphic organizer on the back of this handout to further guide their writing.

**Essays will be graded upon the following criteria:**

1. Analysis of character and description of character’s traits
2. Grammar/mechanics
3. Organization and clarity

**This book report is worth 100 points.**

o Contractions (except in direct quotations from the story)... they are informal o 1st and 2nd person pronouns... keep your paper in 3rd person.