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** Use sticky notes to add additional references (1 reference to the "Worldview Transformation" article is required; this may be included in your essay intro, body, or conclusion)*

Thesis reminders

- * **Make a point:**
DON'T state what happens in the book
DO state a point about what happens in the book
- * **Basic formula:**
In *(title of book)* (author) (suggests, demonstrates, illustrates, proves) (state your point).

Title: _____

Thesis statement: _____

Main idea 1 (topic sentence) reminders

- * **DON'T** summarize what happens in the book
- * **DO** make a point that connects with your thesis
- * **Basic formula:**
(Author) (demonstrates, illustrates, highlights, proves) (the point) through (name character).

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I. Topic sentence (main idea)

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Concrete evidence 1 (provide exact quotation; document in MLA format)

Evidence & Analysis

- * **DO** provide quotes from the text to **show** or **explain** that your paragraph's main idea is plausible
- * **DON'T** plop evidence down in a paragraph and expect it will "speak for itself"
- * **DO** analyze the evidence you provide by explaining exactly **HOW** it proves what you think it proves
- * **DO use analytical language:**
the evidence suggests...
the situation illustrates...
the author criticizes...
the character's reaction demonstrates...

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Analysis

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Concrete evidence 2 (provide exact quotation; document in MLA format)

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Analysis

Link (closing sentence)

- * **DO** give your reader a good sense of how your paragraph fits into the larger scheme of your essay's argument or point
- * **DO** state a global or general significance here that reemphasizes your thesis statement
- * **DON'T** introduce the main idea of your next paragraph

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Link (closing sentence)

Main idea 2 (topic sentence) reminders

- * **DON'T** summarize what happens in the book
- * **DO** make a point that connects with your thesis & with the previous paragraph (provide a clear transition)
- * **Transitions that work:**
Not only...but also
Although...
While...
In addition to....

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II. Topic sentence (main idea)

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Concrete evidence 1 (provide exact quotation; **document in MLA format**)

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Analysis

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Concrete evidence 2 (provide exact quotation; **document in MLA format**)

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