PROMPT

**Which interaction with another character has the greatest influence on Esperanza? Please select the two most important pieces of evidence (quotations) to support your analysis.**

TIPS

Format: Please follow our 8-sentence paragraph structure. (See back of handout) You can use this for your rough draft.

CITATIONS

Proper citations look like this:

**1st quotation:** Esperanza has no desire to be like her great-grandmother and look “out the window her whole life, the way so many women sit their sadness on an elbow” (Cisneros 11).

**2nd quotation:** Just use the page number. Author’s last name is not necessary.

Questions to ask about your ANALYSIS:

* Is it specific?
* Is it arguable? Can someone offer a different interpretation, opinion?
* Does it reveal the 'so what'?
* Does it explain the significance or relevance of your evidence/quotation?
* Why does what you are saying matter?
* Does it justify why/how this particular piece of evidence is the absolute best to support your topic sentence?
* Does it explain how it supports and advances your topic sentence?
* What is the result?
* How do your arguments fit together/relate to each other?

REQUIREMENTS:

1. Follow our 8-sentence paragraph structure.
2. Typed, double-spaced
3. Have a printed copy when class starts on the day this is due
4. Be prepared to turn this paragraph in to turnitin.com

**TOPIC**

### SENTENCE

(TS)

Must support

Thesis!

For example/ for instance, (lead-in) “

“ ( ).

**EVIDENCE #1**

Transition

Lead-in

(Describes the

situation)

Quote/Fact

### ANALYSIS

Analysis of

the quote/fact

Supports your

topic sentence.

**ANALYSIS**

This says more

about the quote

& TS.

Furthermore/ in addition/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, (lead-in) “

“ ( ).

**EVIDENCE #2**

Transition,

Lead-in

### Quote/Fact

**ANALYSIS**

Analysis of

the quote/fact.

**ANALYSIS**

### Says more about

the quote/fact &

supports the

topic sentence.

###### CONCLUDING

### SENTENCE

Wraps up the

paragraph

& gives it that

finished feeling.

EVERTHING IN THE PARAGRAPH SHOULD SUPPORT YOUR TOPIC SENTENCE