**10 Points - Literary Analysis Essay**

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1. Write in the third person.

2. You need a clear thesis that can be opposed by others

3. Start with a good "hook" to draw in the reader (a quote, a statistic, an anecdote, a question etc)

4. Choose a meaningful title

5. Brainstorm an outline

6. Select quotations from the text that will support your points

7. "Be sure to avoid plot summaries" in your essay and write in the "literary present tense"

8. Be sure each point in your essay supports the Thesis and remind the reader of that fact in the conclusion of each Body Paragraph

9. Summarize your main and secondary argument in the conclusion using different words

10. Make your last sentence a meaningful SO WHAT statement