**Why caused your protagonist to change?**  Your assignment is to explain both how and why the protagonist in your book changed. Consider the following…

* + What was she/he like in the beginning?
  + What was she/he like at the end?
  + When did she/he first start to change?
  + Did she/he choose to change? If so, what motivated him/her?
  + Did some event cause him/her to change? If so, how?

You need to think about all of these questions to be able to write a thoughtful essay.

**You introduction must…**

* briefly summarize the book.
* Have a thesis/focus statement that clearly answers the question.

**The body of your essay…**

* + Must have three paragraphs.
  + Each paragraph must have a clear focus stated in the topic sentence.
  + Should have ***at least*** three quotes with page numbers. You should ideally aim for one quote a paragraph if possible.

**You conclusion must…**

* + Briefly restate your thesis/focus statement and summarize your body paragraphs.
  + Have a “So What?” Broaden your thesis to the real world.

**If you read more than one book…**

**What causes people to change?**  Your assignment is compare multiple texts (you can consider “All the Years of Her Life” and “Those Winter Sundays) and decide what caused characters to change in those texts. Consider the following…

* + What were characters like in beginning?
  + What were characters like at the end?
  + When did characters first start to change?
  + Did they choose to change? If so, what motivated them?
  + Did some event cause them to change? If so, how?

You need to think about all of these questions to be able to write a thoughtful essay.

**You introduction must…**

* briefly summarize the book.
* Have a thesis/focus statement that clearly answers the question.

**The body of your essay…**

* + Must have three paragraphs.
  + Each paragraph must have a clear focus on a different character. You could choose two character from the same book if you saw multiple characters change.
  + Should have ***at least*** three quotes with page numbers. You should ideally aim for one quote a paragraph if possible.

**You conclusion must…**

* + Briefly restate your thesis/focus statement and summarize your body paragraphs.
  + Have a “So What?” Broaden your thesis to the real world.