Entrance Ticket

- Look over the essay rubric
- Circle any criteria that you do not understand or have questions about
- Write 2 specific things that you plan to work on with this paper.

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Essential Question: What makes a good essay?

Agenda: 1) Entrance Ticket 2) Class

Notes: Thesis & Evidence Review 3)

Model Essay: Identifying Parts 4)

Graphic Organizer a) Writing b) Peer

Editing

Homework: Finish a Graphic Organizer for your 5 Paragraph Essay

Plans for the paper

- Today: Review model essay
- Tomorrow: Write rough draft in the computer lab
- Next week: Revise!
 - We're going to make these essays perfect!

My goals for this paper

- Thoughtful thesis statements
- Quality Evidence
 - Combination of quotes <u>and</u> summary

Class Notes: Thesis Statements

A strong thesis statement...

- gives *direction* to the paper and limits what you need to write about
- informs your reader of your argument (the message of your paper)
 - All paragraphs of the essay should explain, support, or argue with your thesis.
- requires proof
 - Support your thesis statement with detailed supporting evidence.

Class Notes: Evidence Review

Good Evidence...

- Proves your topic sentences and thesis
- Is introduced fully
 - where it comes from in the play
 - why it is relevant
- Is explained fully
 - how this piece of evidence proves your argument

Model Essay

- Read the essay!
- Identify the following
 - Introduction
 - Hook
 - Thesis
 - Body Paragraphs
 - Topic sentences
 - Evidence Intro, Evidence, Explanation
 - Conclusion
 - Restated Thesis

Graphic Organizer

- Complete a 5 paragraph graphic organizer in response to the following prompt...
 - Choose a central theme from Hamlet, and, in a 5
 paragraph essay, explain its development over the
 course of the play (where it appears and how) and
 analyze Shakespeare's message about that theme.

Graphic Organizer Peer Editing

- Does the thesis follow the criteria for a strong thesis statement (class notes)?
- Do the topic sentences support the thesis statement?
- Can this argument be proved with evidence from the play?
 - Either quotes or summary

Rough Draft

 If you finish your graphic organizer and it has been peer edited, you may begin your rough draft.