

CHARACTER ANALYSIS ESSAY: BINGHAMTON, EMORY

In this essay, you will be doing a character analysis of the main character of "The Story of an Hour": Mrs. Mallard. You will follow the below prompt and adhere to MLA formatting standards which we will be discussing in class.

Essay Structure:

Introduction: Hook your reader then give a brief summary of what happens in the story.

Body 1: Pick one trait that describes Mrs. Mallard's behavior in the story then use two details from the text to display and explain that trait.

Body 2: Explain how Mrs. Mallard is described physically. What does this say about her personality? For example, "...as powerless as her two white slender hands would have been (10)". This quote shows that Mrs. Mallard is ghostly and lifeless because of the news she received.

Conclusion: Sum up your main points. Would you recommend this text to others? What do you think the authors overall message (Kate Chopin) was in this story that she wanted to convey to her readers?

The Details

- This will be a one-shot essay: your first draft will be your final draft. Both mechanics and content will be scored.
- The body paragraphs have a five-sentence minimum and MUST use direct quotes from the text you are utilizing with in text citations.
- Give your paper a creative title and cover page! (Name, Title, My name and 7th Grade on the cover)
- Use standard font and standard margins. (Size 12, times new roman)
- **Don't use "you", "me" or "I".**
- Don't forget to indent each paragraph!!!!
- Don't skip lines between paragraphs.
- All essays will contain a works cited page which we will go over in class.