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"Lamb to the Slaughter" By Roald Dahl
Mood and Theme Analysis Essay



Directions:

You will be writing an essay based on the below prompts. In order to receive full credit, you must incorporate all components of the prompt and your essay must have 5 well-crafted paragraphs.

- **Body 1:** You must provide a short summary of the story. Imagine that you are explaining this story to someone who is totally unfamiliar with the text! This formatting will help:
 - Somebody: Who is in the text?
 - Did: What did those people or that person do? (Think about the conflict)
 - Then: What happened as a result of that action?
 - So: So... How did the story end? What was the resolution?
- **Body Paragraph 2:** Discuss the mood of the story – how does it make you feel when you read it? Pick 1-2 adjectives and explain them. Use textual evidence (quotes from the text) to support your answer and analysis.
- **Body Paragraph 3:** What is the theme of the story? (Theme must be a moral, message or lesson that you learned from reading the story.) After you explain the theme, find two pieces of text evidence that support or show the theme you have chosen.

Reminders:

- 1) Your final copy **MUST** have a cover page! (Typed Final copy must be size 12 font)
- 2) Be sure to check your writing for spelling, grammar, punctuation and capitalization errors. **PROOFREAD, PROOFREAD, PROOFREAD!**
- 3) **ALL ESSAYS ARE WORTH 40% OF YOUR ELA GRADE AND ALL MATERIALS ARE ON GOOGLE CLASSROOM FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.**