**TDA Essays: Steps to Success**

**Step 1: Read prompt carefully**

* Read the prompt carefully. Reread multiple times if needed.
* Underline or highlight key words.

**Practice**

1. The passages discuss the impact that people have had on the bald eagle. Write an essay analyzing how people are helping the bald eagle increase in numbers. Use the information from all three passages to support your response.
2. The passage and the poem address a similar theme. Write an essay analyzing how the passage and the poem develop this theme. Use evidence from both the passage and the poem to support your response.
3. The passage discusses how the body regulates its internal clock. Write an essay analyzing the importance of the body’s clock to people’s everyday lives. Use evidence from the passage to support your response.
4. The title of this selection is “Because of Winn-Dixie.” Explain why this is an appropriate title for the selection. Be sure to clearly cite evidence from the text for each part of your answer.

**Step 2: Read and analyze text(s).**

* Read the text.
* During reading, talk to the text, highlight, and use any other reading strategies.

**Step 3: Answer the prompt.**

* Write your response next to the prompt.
* Hint… reread prompts and make sure it answers the question being asked.

**Text- Dependent Analysis Question**

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