

Introduction Paragraph Practice

Directions: Read the following prompts, and write an introduction paragraph.

1. Our minds can make fears worse than they are. Write an essay analyzing how the events in the passage prove this statement true. Use evidence from the passage to support your response. (Text: "The School Play" by Gary Soto)

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2. In Where the Red Fern Grows, Billy Coleman finds a red fern growing over the grave of his dogs. Write an essay analyzing how this section is important to the plot of the entire story. Be sure to include textual evidence to support your analysis. (Text: Where the Red Fern Grows by Wilson Rawls)

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3. There is a message the author tries to teach the reader. Write an essay analyzing how the setting of Hatchet relates to the theme of the story. Be sure to include textual evidence to support your analysis. (Text: Hatchet by Gary Paulsen)

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