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## Persepolis Response to Literature Essay: "Central Theme"



**Reading Standard 2:** Determine a theme or central idea of a text and analyze in detail its development over the course of the text, including how it emerges and is shaped and refined by specific details; provide an objective summary of the text.

**Reading Standard 1:** Cite strong and thorough textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.

**Writing Standard 1:** Write arguments to support claims in an analysis of substantive topics or texts, using valid reasoning and relevant and sufficient evidence.

**Writing Prompt:** *Persepolis* is a uniquely true story of a young woman "coming of age" during wartime. What can we as readers learn from this story? In a five-paragraph essay, describe the central theme (lesson, message) of this graphic novel. Include textual details from the story to back up your ideas.

Finished Response to Literature Essays must include the following:

A. Ideas/Content:

- Clear ideas with supporting details from the text (quotes must be cited with page numbers).
- Include a balance of textual details and student analysis.

B. Organization

- Five-paragraph essay minimum (Intro, Body, Conclusion).
- Thesis (specific, one main idea).
- Specific supporting details from the text.
- Clear and well-supported conclusion.

C. Style/Voice:

- Mixes up sentence starters, not repetitive.
- Variety of sentence lengths.

D. Edit for spelling and grammar. Show evidence of revision.

E. Final Drafts must be typed according to MLA Typing Guidelines.

**Writing Process:**

1. Prewriting/Outline (20 points) Due: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Rough Draft (40 points) Due: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Peer-Editing/Revision (20 points) Due: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Typed Final Draft (100 points) Due: \_\_\_\_\_