**Macbeth Essay**

In preparation for the ISU essay, we will write a practice formal essay

From Macbeth, choose one of the topics to write about:

1. Choose one of the themes presented in the novel.
2. Choose a symbol and demonstrate the significance to the play in its entirety.
3. Character development is crucial to any novel. Choose one character and demonstrate how the character develops over the play.
4. Develop a thesis based on your own idea.

Your essay must be a formal, five-paragraph essay based on the thesis that you create. Your thesis must be supported by three specific examples (quotations) from the play and it must be provable, arguable, and worth-proving. These examples must be followed by a thorough explanation of how they support your thesis.

In addition to using the text of Macbeth (primary source), you will also be required to give TWO secondary sources to support your analysis. This is an opportunity to practice with research integration and citation of secondary sources.

**Macbeth** **Research Essay Outline**

**INTRODUCTION:**

**Hook/Interest Catcher:**

**Identification of Author and Text:**

**Points in Support of Thesis** (Three required, each is explained in its own sentence)**:** -

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-  **Thesis Statement**: **Paragraph One:**

**Topic Sentence:**

**Point:**

**Primary Source Proof (1-2 quotations): Explanation:**

**Secondary Source Quotation (if required, one example):**

**Explanation:**

**Re-emphasize link to thesis:**

**Conclude/Transition:**

**Paragraph Two:**

**Topic Sentence:**

**Point:**

**Primary Source Proof (1-2 quotations):**

**Explanation:**

**Secondary Source Quotation (if required, one example):**

**Explanation:**

**Re-emphasize link to thesis:**

**Conclude/Transition:**

**Paragraph Three:**

**Topic Sentence:**

**Point:**

**Primary Source Proof (1-2 quotations):**

**Explanation:**

**Secondary Source Quotation (if required, one example):**

**Explanation:**

**Re-emphasize link to thesis:**

**Conclude/Transition:**

**Conclusion:**

**Re-statement of thesis:**

**Re-statement of points** (in new words!)**:**

**Leave the Reader Thinking:**

\*The rubric will be the same as the one provided for you for your ISU!!