**Character Development:** How a character changes over the course of a story or novel. The change can be demonstrated in a number of ways including words, actions, physical appearance or a change in attitude or perspective. Often a main character (the protagonist) will go through some sort of trial or challenge, and as a result will learn a lesson or see things differently than they did at the beginning of the novel.

**Task:** Write an essay describing the character development (how a character has changed) of a character in your novel.

1. Your assignment should have a short introductory paragraph, followed by:

a) A paragraph describing the character at the beginning of the novel.

b) A paragraph describing the character near the middle of the novel.

c) A paragraph describing the character at the end (what new insights or understanding has the character learned?)

2. You should include a minimum of 2 direct quotes. (Write the page number after the quote).

3. You should conclude your essay with a short concluding paragraph that summarizes what has happened to the character.

**Finally:**

* Make sure to write your essay in third person (don’t write “I think…”)
* Make sure to proof-read and spell check