**Novel Essay**

**(This is direct preparation for Section C "Response To Text" on the provincial exam)**

**Topic:**

*A contrast between heartbreaking struggle and indomitable resilience often plays an important role in the literature and other media created by First Peoples. Support this statement with direct references from the novel you have studied.*

* In essay form support this statement with references from your novel.
* Please include at least TWO direct references (This means you must directly incorporate  at least two quotes from the novel).

General Guidelines:

* Essay Response (350-550 words).  Please put word count at the end of your essay
* Write in third person (don’t use “I”) and present tense.
* Have an intro and concluding paragraph
* Include the name of the novel and the author in your intro.
* As always, use the highest level of vocabulary possible.
* Incorporate your quotes smoothly into your own sentences.

Whenever possible, instead of using the word “shows” use:

Demonstrates

Highlights

Emphasizes

Illuminates

Reveals

Displays

**Suggested outline:**

**Introductory Paragraph** Introduce the novel and provide some general context. Describe how your novel contains elements of both struggle and resilience.

**Paragraph Two:** Discuss examples of “heartbreaking struggle” in the novel. Provide specific references for support.

**Paragraph Three:** Discuss examples of “indomitable resilience” in the novel. Provide specific references for support.

**Concluding paragraph**: reviewing the key ways the novel demonstrated the contrast of both struggle and resilience (the overcoming of struggle).