

Epigraphs in *The Boys in the Boat*: Rhetorical Analysis Assignment

Epigraph: a short quotation or saying at the beginning of a book or chapter, intended to suggest its theme. The epigraph may serve as a preface, as a summary, as a counter-example, or to establish context.

Each chapter of *The Boys in the Boat* starts with an epigraph from George Pocock. For your assigned chapter, read the epigraph from Pocock and reread your chapter, taking notes over key events, major plot developments, and rhetorical strategies that Brown uses. A “What-How-Why” chart might be useful to document devices as they connect to theme. Ultimately, analyze how Pocock’s quote connects to the overarching themes of your chapter, and the book as a whole. Use specific examples and quotes from your chapter to support your response. (Please copy the epigraph at the top of paper).

Be prepared to share your findings.

Due _____; Typed, MLA, 2-3 pages

My assigned chapter is _____

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