

# Gateway: Short Story Response

## Paragraph 1: Summation

- Write an objective summary of the text. Remember that objective means “not influenced by personal feelings or opinions in considering and representing facts.” Include relevant details and accurately convey the text’s plot. What happens within the story, in chronological order? Don’t forget to include key characters, setting, resolution, etc.

## Paragraph 2: Reader Evaluation

- Write a paragraph in which you reflect upon the text’s ideas. What stands out to you? What themes do you see emerging and why are they of significance to you? What ideas or reactions does the text draw from you? This will require you to look beyond whether or not the text was “enjoyable.” Instead, consider how the ideas and author’s decisions within the text can construct meaning for readers. What lingering ideas do you have about this text? Include at least one integrated quote that supports your ideas and use a proper in-text citation.

Proofread.

Use formal and precise diction.

Use a new vocabulary word.

Use standard MLA format and obey the standard conventions of writing.

Final product should be at least one page (not counting headings).

Due at the end of the period.

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