You will be writing a persuasive essay for *Mississippi Trial, 1955.*  You will persuade the reader of your essay that either Hiram or his father is correct . This is a broad statement and you will have to keep notes for both claims as you read the novel. You will have to decide what they are or are not “correct” about and then support that claim.

Your essays will be 5 paragraphs. They will include a claim, evidence, counter arguments and, rebuttal.

In order to make a skilled argument you must consider both sides of the argument. In our novel the two main “arguments” are between Hiram and his father. You need to keep track of these arguments and at the end of the novel decide which claim you will support.

We will spend time on crafting all the paragraphs of an argumentative essay you will apply that information to your own essay which will be due December 19. If you will be gone on December 19 YOU MUST turn the essay in early or deliver it electronically by the 19th.

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| Beliefs’ / Opinions about: | Hiram | Hiram’s father |
| Mississippi/ South |  |  |
| Grandfather |  |  |
| Each other |  |  |