

8AIL Novel Response Essay

Due Date:

TASK

Choose ONE of the following essay topics in response to the novel that you have read this term.

You must follow the set structure of an essay.

- **An introduction** – clearly outlines the argument referring to the 3 main points discussed in the main body
- **Three supporting paragraphs** – all containing a topic sentence, evidence and examples from the novel and a linking sentence
- **A conclusion** – that summarises the main ideas and includes a valid judgement on the question
- **Your essay must be approximately 300 – 500 words in length**

Two Weeks with the Queen by Morris Gleitzman

1. Growing up is an important theme in the novel *Two Weeks with the Queen*. Morris Gleitzman explores this theme through the maturation of the protagonist, Colin. He shows us that difficult events help us mature, and as we do so we become less self-centred and more thoughtful about the needs of others. Show how Colin's character develops.
2. Explore the notion of 'Queen' representing many things, and why Gleitzman chose to name the novel '*Two Weeks with the Queen*'.