Short Story Essay

* Write a formal essay of about 1500 words. Penalties if you go above 1800 words!
* You may work on a short story of your choice from the list. I strongly recommend that you choose one of the stories you have already worked on.
* Use a **minimum** of 9 quotes from the story.
* Use a properly formatted title page.
* Use MLA essay styling, referencing, citation format and layout
* Write an introduction that includes a thesis, 3 body paragraphs and a conclusion. I suggest you follow the essay model rather closely, but you don’t have to be exact as long as you have all the elements (e.g., if you need more than one sentence to explain an example, feel free)
* You must type your essay. I accept electronic submissions in the following formats:
* .doc, .docx, pdf, pages, rtf. Note, if you are using Googledocs or Open office, please convert to one of the accepted formats.
* Include a bibliography (which should only have 1 entry – the story)
* Criteria A, B, C

## Topics

For this assignment, you are expected to come up with your own topic. Look at your notes and annotations to find something meaty to write about.

**You must conference with me about your topic before proceeding.**

## Conference

I strongly recommend that you seek me out for a conference and feedback on your essay at three different points:

* once you have determined your topic (compulsory)
* when you complete the Essay Outline graphic organizer (optional)
* when you complete your first draft (optional)

I am available by appointment before school, at lunch and after school any day, as well as during class.

# Hand in:

* Essay Outline Graphic organizer
* First draft, with markups from at least 2 reviewers
* Final draft, which should show a marked improvement over the first draft – not just corrections

Please hand in your Final draft electronically using dropitto.me at mrsbamber.com. Remember to code your file names correctly!