

LC Essay Sentence Outline – Body Paragraphs #2 & #3

Write about an event that causes the character to change.

Example for Scrooge from *A Christmas Carol*:

III. One important event in the story occurs when Scrooge travels with the first spirit to see his past.

A. The Spirit of Christmas Past reveals a young Scrooge at a boarding school where he has been left all alone at Christmas.

1. All the other boys have gone home for the holiday.

2. He has no one but story characters in his imagination to keep him company.

B. Quickly the scene changes and Scrooge sees an older version of himself, and he's still alone.

1. However, this time, Fan, his younger sister arrives to take him home.

2. Fan has convinced their hard-hearted father to let Scrooge come home “for good and for all” (72).

C. Scrooge is reminded of how much his sister loved and cared for him.

1. He understands that he needs to be kinder to those who are less fortunate.

2. He realizes he can keep his sister’s memory alive by staying close to her son, Fred.

Example for Maijue in “An Unforgettable Journey”:

III. Another significant event for Maijue was when her family was bus station that had been converted to a large refugee center in Bangkok.

- A. She described the place as being “depressing and nerve-racking” (274), and again there was very little food.**
- B. Maijue remembers a small child, who came to the family and begged for something to eat.**
 - 1. The girl said that both her parents were dead and that she was all alone.**
 - 2. Although at first Maijue’s father gave the girl a piece of bread, when she came around a second time, he had to refuse.**
- C. This incident made Maijue very sad, and it obviously was a memory that stayed with her long after it occurred.**
 - 1. She probably thought that she could end up like that as well.**

- 2. She came to realize how lucky she was to have two parents to look after and care for her.**

- 3. Her gratitude is expressed later in the story when she says about her parents, “I know in my heart that they care about me and want me to be successful so that I can help them when they can no longer help themselves” (275).**