W6A - Lesson 8, Essay 5, Draft 1

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Topic: Writing from the Point of View of a Fictional Character

**The truth that I left**

When I was young, I lived in a poor village in 234 BC. Our village was cold all season, with no water; if we needed water, we had to walk one kilometer to ~~get to~~ a well.

One ~~day in a~~ peaceful normal morning, we heard ~~the~~ hoof beats from a distance. That day was the worst day of my life, full of blood splashes, and women and children screaming. I ran away and hid in a cave beside the village. I ~~had~~ stayed ~~in~~ there for three days with a bottle of water and a magical mirror that tells the truth. ~~and then~~

I have never seen my parents again since that day. I ~~had~~ lived in a forest for several years~~, I find~~ in a place ~~that~~ close to the river, so I didn't need to worry about having no water.

When I was 20 years old, I was found by the King of England, ~~he founded me and~~ who married ~~him~~ to be his wife. He had a beautiful daughter called Snow White. She had beautiful white skin and ~~skinny~~ a slender body with a lot of beautiful dresses. I liked her; she was so kind and nice.

But one day when I was picking strawberries till night, ~~there was~~ suddenly many arrows ~~struck~~ flew at me. I was afraid and worried, so I ran away ~~and~~ quickly. I feel I might die ~~at~~ there, I was screaming and running. I have no time to breathe and cry. I was weary and my clothes was break in to piece. When I get back home, I took out my magical mirror.

“Who was trying to kill me?” I asked tensely. “Why?”

“It’s Snow White,” the mirror answered with no emotion. “She hates ~~you~~ that you replaced her mother, and she hates you because you are so beautiful.”

“But I love her and she is so beautiful!” I cried. “Why did she do this kind of thing?”

“She didn’t show her evil side to people,” the mirror whispered. “She is behind your door!”

I don’t know that Snow White was ~~just~~ standing just behind the door ~~before~~. She knew she was exposed. So she quickly hired a hunter to pretend that I was going to kill her. Then she ran into the woods and ~~tempt~~ persuaded seven dwarves to take her in and ~~bring up~~ care for her.

I was worried about her because she was so young she couldn’t just left. So I dress up like an old ugly woman that sell apples so she won’t know that I’m her stepmother. This ~~thing~~ is my problem: I didn’t knew that the apples are already ~~has been moulded~~ moldy. She got sick and fainted. I worried about her, but I cannot be expose, so I ran away.

Then, as you know, the prince came and saved her. She found her love, but I was maltreated by her when she found out the “truth.” So I died. Well, it’s good to have this kind of life with ~~that have~~ so ~~much~~ many interesting characters, right? Life is like this; it happens all the time.

Word Count:

*Captain's Notes: Michelle, good job writing a narrative about a fictional character who is usually portrayed as a villain in a classic fairy tale. It's interesting to read the story from her point of view and understand her intentions. But what was her name and where in the world did the story take place? These are some important grounding details you need to add at the beginning, so I've underlined the first sentence. I have already helped you edit most of your mistakes in blue. Please fix the remaining mistakes highlighted in yellow and rewrite the parts that are underlined. Remember to use verbs in the past tense. Finally, I suggest you rewrite the title to make it easier to understand. What is the truth that you left? Please explain. Thanks!*