Source: [KBENG201HoDLitAnalysisEssay]

1 | Heart of Darkness Essay

General Information

Due Date	Topic	Important Documents
Oct 13th, 1pm	Choose a recurring word, motif, pattern, or character	Well, what do you think?

Prompt

Choose a word, motif, pattern, or character that you've noticed throughout the book, and construct an analytical, argumentative essay around it

Evidence bin

- *"The African continent had ceased to be a blank space of delightful mystery … it had become a place of darkness. … But there was in it one river especially … resembling an immense snake uncoiled .… It fascinated me as a snake would a bird — a silly little bird. … The snake had charmed me."* (9)
- *"The man seemed young … He had tied a bit of white worsted around his neck — Why? Where did he get it? Was it a badge — an ornament — a charm — a propitiatory act?"* (20)
- *"The approach to this Kurtz grubbing for ivory in the wretched bush was beset by as many dangers as though he had been an enchanted princess sleeping in a fabulous castle."* (52)
- *"The thing was to know what Kurts himself belonged to, how many powers of darkness claimed him for their own. … He had taken a high seat amoungst the devils of the sand — I mean literally. You can't understand"* (60)
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Claim Synthesis

Development phase – How and So-What

- *CLAIM*
  - How THING THAT ATTACKS INTERGRITY OF CLAIM
    - EVIDENCE and SPECIFICITY
  - So what (local), THING THAT ATTACKS THE RELEVANCE OF CLAIM TOWARDS THE BROADER PICTURE

Defluffifying

CHOSEN THESIS CLAIM

- Point a
- Point b
- Point c

So what? SO WHAT

Now, defluffify by re-writing the three points + so hat in as little words as possible.
RESTATED CLAIM

Outline

- Claim 1: *claim*
    - How
        - HOW IS CLAIM TRUE?
        - Evidence -> HOW IS YOUR REASONING TRUE?
    - So What
        - WHY DO I CARE?
- Claim 2: *claim*
    - How
        - HOW IS CLAIM TRUE?
        - Evidence -> HOW IS YOUR REASONING TRUE?
    - So What
        - WHY DO I CARE?
- Claim 3: *claim*
    - How
        - HOW IS CLAIM TRUE?
        - Evidence -> HOW IS YOUR REASONING TRUE?
    - So What
        - WHY DO I CARE?

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