Question 3

(Suggested time—40 minutes. This question counts as one-third of the total essay section score.)

Many works of literature contain a character who intentionally deceives others. The character's dishonesty may be intended either to help or to hurt. Such a character, for example, may choose to mislead others for personal safety, to spare someone's feelings, or to carry out a crime.

Choose a novel or play in which a character deceives others. Then, in a well-written essay, analyze the motives for that character's deception and discuss how the deception contributes to the meaning of the work as a whole.

You may choose a work from the list below or another work of comparable literary merit. Do not merely summarize the plot.

Anna Karenina
As You Like It
Atonement
Beloved
The Blind Assassin
The Bonesetter's Daughter
The Burgess Boys
Catch-22
The Color Purple
Crime and Punishment
The Crucible
A Doll House
Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close
The Great Gatsby
Hamlet
Heart of Darkness
In the Lake of the Woods
Invisible Man
Jane Eyre

Jude the Obscure
The Kite Runner
M. Butterfly
Madame Bovary
The Memory Keeper's Daughter
Middlesex
Much Ado About Nothing
Never Let Me Go
Oryx and Crake
Othello
The Picture of Dorian Gray
The Portrait of a Lady
Pride and Prejudice
Snow Flower and the Secret Fan
Twelfth Night
Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?
The Women of Brewster Place
Wuthering Heights
A Yellow Raft in Blue Water

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