

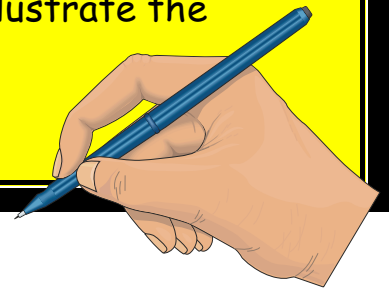
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Themes and Tragic Consequences

English 7

Winter

Some characters in stories suffer tragic consequences when they try to disturb the natural order, or when greed and fear take over. In both "The Birthmark" and "The Monkey's Paw," authors Nathaniel Hawthorne and W.W. Jacobs create characters who tamper with their lives, and are left to face the results of their actions. In a well-developed paragraph, discuss the common themes in both stories, and use at least two pieces of text evidence to support how the tragic events in each character's life illustrate the author's message.



Your paper will not be graded if it contains:

- errors in capitalization
- errors in story punctuation
- font larger than 12

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Addresses the prompt completely and accurately	10	
Provides a solid topic sentence	20	
Includes at least two pieces of text evidence for each story	20	
Demonstrates a valid conclusion	10	
Properly punctuates titles, with ALL capital letters properly used	10	
Is free of run-on sentences and sentence fragments	10	
Is free from spelling and punctuation errors	10	
Shows evidence of editing, care and effort	10	
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