



Box and Bullets Essay Structure

Thesis statement

CHARACTER is a TRAIT because REASON, ANOTHER REASON, and most importantly, because A THIRD REASON.

BODY PARAGRAPH 1- The first reason why (character) is (trait) is because A.

“For example,...” (**Give example** to support your claim).

“This shows...” or “This illustrates...” (**Explain** how example fits/proves claim).

“Another example is...” (Provide another **relevant** example, if possible).

BODY PARAGRAPH 2 and 3 Another reason why (character) is (trait) is because B.

CONCLUSION

Restatement of thesis statement.

Body Paragraph

The ___ reason why ___ is ___ is that...

- Example 1 (“For example,...”)
- Example 2
- Explanation (“This shows ...” or “This illustrates...”)