**Topic Sentence, Introduce Quote, Quote, and Analyze Quote (TIQA) Argumentative Paragraph**

In “Harrison Bergeron” by Kurt Vonnegut, the protagonist’s son is a great example of a heroic character. In a world where everyone is forced to be equal, the son: “stood up against the oppressive government in front of a nationwide audience, even though the act was suicidal”(268). Anyone who stands up for what they believe in, even if they fail, is a hero. The son knows that he will never overthrow the government, but his act will stand as an example for others to follow and be inspired by. The world of Harrison Bergeron is full of sadness and fear, but his heroic son’s example will inspire and give hope to others.

**Main Topic, Example, Analysis, Link to Thesis (MEAL)**

In Herman Melville’s *Moby Dick*, the narrator shows how people grapple with the fascination with sea as a proxy of humankind’s fascination with the supernatural with the character of Ishmael. For Ishmael, the sea represents, in his words, “the ungraspable phantom of life” (20).We can infer from the supernatural connotations of this reference to the sea that when Ishmael speaks of the sea in other passages, he is at once concerning himself with the mystic. Hence, although Ishmael is perhaps not a religious man, he feels the pull of something greater as surely as he feels the pull of the sea.

**Topic, Evidence, Explanation, Conclusion (TEEC)**

In William Golding’s Lord of the Flies, the author uses symbolism to show the destruction of democracy. This idea is no clearer than with the symbol of the conch. At first, the conch was used as a tool to create order and structure to the democratic meetings (9). It is something that is sacred which is shown when Ralph, “laid the conch down with great care” (8) However, as the society becomes reduced to a primitive tribe, the conch no longer has any meaning and it does not matter when Roger breaks the conch because the boy’s society does not exist with any rules (156). As a result of the conch symbolizing democracy, the reader witness how easily civil society can fall.