


We've been talking about how to write/organize thoughts in an essay all week, so here are a couple of questions meant to help you see it all in action!

Read William Faulkner's 1949 Nobel Prize Speech here:

<https://www.nobelprize.org/prizes/literature/1949/faulkner/speech/>

Then answer these questions:



## William Faulkner – Nobel Prize Speech

QUESTION 1

IF FAULKNER'S SPEECH HAD A THESIS, WHAT WOULD IT BE? WHAT IS ITS MAIN CLAIM? WHAT REASONS DOES HE ALLUDE TO SUPPORT THAT CLAIM?

QUESTION 2

RESTATE EACH PARAGRAPH'S FINAL SENTENCE IN YOUR OWN WORDS. WHAT PROGRESSION OF IDEAS CAN YOU SEE FROM THE MAIN IDEAS CONTAINED IN EACH PARAGRAPH'S FINAL SENTENCE AS THEY PROGRESS?

QUESTION 3

WHAT IS THE GOAL OF THE CONCLUSION OF THIS SPEECH? WHAT IS THE LOGICAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THIS SPEECH'S CONCLUSION AND THAT WHICH CAME BEFORE?