

To Kill a Mockingbird Character Rant Outline***Character Rant Requirements:**

- List any issues/topics from the novel.
- List which characters are involved in these issues/topics. *Hint: Use your CHARACTER DESCRIPTION CHART.
- Choose a character from the novel.
- Choose a scene from the novel as an issue/topic for your rant. *For example, Scout and people who waste food (Walter Cunningham for instance when he drowns his food in syrup.)
- After you choose a character and an issue/topic from the novel, you must create your rant with the characteristics listed below (complete the outline).
 - Remember, a **rant** is an out of control, aggressive ramble from someone who is upset about something; a monologue that is used to satirize some aspect of human nature that the speaker wants to criticize
 - Rant Characteristics:
 - An issue/topic in which you are passionate.
 - Includes at least **ONE** example with **ONE** explanation.
 - Includes a strong opening that focuses on the rant.
 - Uses verbal irony.
 - Has an effective closing that leaves the listener with something to think about.
- Once your outline is completed, you need to create a slide with your rant so you can present it to the class.

***OUTLINE:**

1. Issue/Topic: *Homework*

2. TKM Character: *Scout*

3. Introduction:

a. How will you grab the audience's attention? (What is your main claim?)

Do you know why so many kids are tired? Because we get so much homework and stay up all night.

b. How will you focus your rant? (Transitions)

For example

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4. Body:

- a. In what order will you present your ideas/examples? (Evidence/Examples)

I ran away from home and took a bus to Maycomb. When Jem and Scout found out that I ran away Jem decided to tell Atticus.

- b. What supporting evidence/details will you use to back them up? (Explanations)

Jem told on me because he didn't believe that I could hide in the house without Atticus finding out.

- c. How will you include verbal irony into your rant? (Context)

I told Jem that he was wrong for telling Atticus. I was very upset with him because as a friend, I didn't think he would snitch. I told him about why I ran away from home but he still decided to tell Atticus.

5. Conclusion:

- a. How will you close your rant? (Conclusion/Wrap-up)

After talking to Atticus he made me realize that running away from home wasn't a good idea. But I still think Jem was acting like a little girl for telling on me.

- b. What questions or ideas will you leave your audience with? (Conclusion/Wrap-up)

I ran away from home because I felt like a burden to my parents especially since they never spent time with me.

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2. TKM Character: Dill

3. Introduction:

a. How will you grab the audience's attention? (What is your main claim?)

Do you ever wonder how different your life would be if your best friend didn't snitch on you? it would be totally different because you wouldn't have to question your friendships.

b. How will you focus your rant? (Transitions)

For example

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- a. In what order will you present your ideas/examples? (Evidence/Examples)

Last night Miss Caroline Fisher gave us 3
Pages of homework and I was up all
night trying to get it done...

- b. What supporting evidence/details will you use to back them up? (Explanations)

When Miss Fisher doesn't give us
homework I get sleep and am
not tired the next day.

- c. How will you include verbal irony into your rant? (Context)

The homework she gave me was 3 pages
long and took me an hour past
my bed time.

5. Conclusion:

- a. How will you close your rant? (Conclusion/Wrap-up)

Teachers shouldn't have homework for kids
and we should just do it in
class.

- b. What questions or ideas will you leave your audience with? (Conclusion/Wrap-up)

So if we get the work done in
class we will have less tired kids
and I won't be up as late.