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Summer Reading – Written Response

This summer you were to read *Mr. Midshipman Hornblower* by C.S. Forester. This text is a bildungsroman novel, a coming-of-age story, about Horatio and his experiences between the ages of 17 and 23. Compose an essay highlighting three experiences or events that you believe shaped Horatio's life and/or character. Be sure to explain why or how each example shaped him.

- A full credit (20 points), well-constructed paragraph should:
 - Be 8-12 sentences (3 points)
 - Have a topic sentence that restates the question being asked. (5 points)
 - Have supporting sentences with evidence from the story. (6 points)
 - Have a concluding sentence. (3 points)
 - Be edited for indentation, punctuation, spelling, etc. (1 point will be deducted for each type of mistake)
 - Be on a properly headed piece of paper, typed (12-point font), and double spaced. (2 points)
 - Have this paper attached to the front of your essay. (1 point)

- There are no right or wrong answers, only supported or unsupported opinions. You may use 1st person – I, me, or my, but you may not say “In this essay...” or “In this paper...” Don’t talk about your paragraph in your paragraph.