

ETS-4UI ISU ESSAY OUTLINE

Introductory Paragraph

Topic sentence:

- one of the most influential political movements of the 20th century would have to be the development of Marxism
- it has had a profound impact on many significant areas during time
- perhaps one of the least recognized is its importance in the field of literature
- One book where its influence is greatest is *Winnie the Pooh* by E.E. Milne
- Marxism is apparent in three distinct aspects of the book

Method of Development

1. The character of Eeyour who represents the proletariat
2. The character of Tigger who represents the bourgeoisie
3. And the symbolic nature of the forest where the animals live represents the ultimate goal of Marxism Utopia.

Thesis: Thus it is apparent that Marxism as an underlying influence in the children's novel *Winnie the Pooh*.

Paragraph #2- Point to prove- the character of Eeyour as a representative of the Proletariat- an example from the text

Topic Sentence: Perhaps one of the most interesting characters in the novel *Winnie the Pooh* is that of Eeyour.

- What makes him interesting is his pessimistic perspective on life in the forest.
- one excellent example of this occurs in the third chapter of the novel
- here Eeyour comments on the pathetic nature of his life
- he states:
- "Whoa is me! Why can't anything we ever do turn out right. I feel so down right now." Milne 35
- what is interesting about this is that Eeyour and his other friends have just successfully opened a honey jar.
- His comments stand in juxtaposition to the reality of the communal efforts of the other animals.

Paragraph #3- Point to prove- the character of Eeyour as a representative of the Proletariat- support from Secondary sources

- at first glance this comment and other like it would not seem to indicate that Eeyour is a representative of the Proletariat.
- However it is apparent upon closer examination that Eeyour has some typical Proletariat tendencies.
- First of all he is very pessimistic

- Has a critic states
- “Eeyour expresses the views of the Proletariat clearly through his pessimism. As Marx one stated the Proletariat often expressed their down-trodden life through a very negative outlook.” Williams 36.
- Therefore it is clear that Eeyour symbolizes the Marxist perspective as an example of the Proletariat.

Paragraph #4- Proof from the Text- Method of Development #2

Paragraph #5- Supporting proof from a Secondary Source.

Paragraph #6- Proof from the Text Method of Development #3

Paragraph #7- Supporting Proof from a Secondary Source

Paragraph #8- Concluding Paragraph