

"The Story of an Hour" Analysis - Point Recovery Assignment

Name: _____ Original Score: _____ Points Recovered: _____

Complete the following assignment in order to recover points on the recent written analysis. This is not simply a "completion" assignment. You must correct your errors accurately. The purpose of this assignment is to *learn* and *improve*. I expect you to put forth your best effort.

Improve Your Grammar

On the written analysis, I made _____ grammar and spelling errors. Correct those errors in the space provided.

1. _____

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Improve Your Argument

Many students wrote summaries and expositions of the novel rather than effective analyses of “The Story of an Hour.” Using the same topic you wrote originally, redevelop your thesis and main points. Remember, the purpose of an analytical essay is to fully prove an argument (your thesis). Every sentence, especially your topic sentences and quotes, should explicitly prove your argument. Cite your quotes properly.

The thesis should state the author’s purpose or message. This is your *claim*. A claim should start with a strong verb and state a universal truth. Rewrite your thesis statement:

Each topic sentence should point back to your thesis statement. Begin with a transitional phrase, and state the topic of the paragraph (without referring to the essay itself). Topic sentences should *not* contain a summary of the story. Rewrite your first topic sentence:

Which pieces of evidence will you use from the text to prove the statement above to be true?

Rewrite your second topic sentence (if applicable):

Which pieces of evidence will you use from the text to prove the statement above to be true?
