

Year 11 Film Study Assignment : The Shawshank Redemption

1) Choose either Red or Andy and answer the following:

- a) Describe one thing he learns and say why this important. (5)
- b) Describe a problem he has and explain how he tried to overcome it. (5)
- c) Describe the relationship he had with the other and explain why it was important. (5)

2) Choose a character from the list below and do the activities that follow:

Brooks Warden Norton Byron Hadley Tommy

- a) Describe their role in the film: who were they? what did they do? what happened to them? (5)
- b) Describe their relationship with Andy and explain the affect of the relationship. (5)
- c) What lesson(s) are we to learn from what happens to the character. (5)

3) Choose one of the following scenes. Describe the scene and explain why the scene is important to the film: (5)

- a) the opening scene
- b) tarring of the roof
- c) when Andy plays the opera
- d) when Tommy is shot
- e) the closing scene

4) Some of the main themes of the film are:

HOPE FRIENDSHIP JUSTICE

- a) Choose one of the above and make two statements about the theme.
- b) For each statement find two examples from the film which support each statement.
- c) For each example, find a relevant quotation.
- d) For each quotation, explain how it and the example support the statement.

EG		EXAMPLE	QUOTATION	EXPLANATION
	STATEMENT			
		EXAMPLE	QUOTATION	EXPLANATION
HOPE				
	STATEMENT	EXAMPLE	QUOTATION	EXPLANATION
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(5 marks each) (10)

5) Find out the definition of “Redemption” and in light of your findings, explain in about 120 words, why film is called ‘The Shawshank Redemption’.

(5)

TOTAL 50 MARKS