

Pretest Answer Key - Pgs 1-22

1. (Part A) B      (Part B) A
2. (Part A) B      (Part B) B
3. (Part A) B      (Part B) C
4. (Part A) C      (Part B) A, B
5. (Part A) D      (Part B) C
6. A, C

7. *Responses will vary.*

The following is an example compare and contrast essay.

Tom is the aggressor and starts the fight in *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer*, and Andy is not the aggressor and does not start the fight in *Only an Irish Boy*. The sight of the new boy makes Tom feel angry, and the more Tom stares at the new boy, the more arrogant the new boy seems. Tom cannot suppress his annoyance of the new boy, so Tom goads the new boy into a fight by taunting him. Andy, on the other hand, is simply minding his own business outside of Godfrey's house, and Andy is the one who is being taunted. Both Tom and Andy are shabbily dressed, and they are not as refined as their counterparts. Both Tom and Andy think that their rivals are snobs, and both of them eagerly anticipate winning their fights. Tom and Andy do not like the idea that they are being looked down upon just because they are not as well-dressed as the new boy and Godfrey. Tom and Andy are two boys who are used to having to make their own way in the world, and they are not afraid to stand up for what they believe in. Tom is not the new boy where he lives, but Andy is the new boy where he is now living.

The new boy in *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* is well-dressed and walking in front of where Tom is standing. Godfrey from *Only an Irish Boy* walks up to Andy who is standing in front of Godfrey's house. From reading the descriptions of the new boy and Godfrey, it can be assumed that they are snobbish boys who think they are better than Tom and Andy. It is not known exactly who the new boy is, but it is made clear that Godfrey is the son of a wealthy aristocrat. Both the new boy and Godfrey lose their fights and run off to tell

their mothers about Tom and Andy. Both of the mothers take their son's side, and believe that Tom and Andy are bad, disrespectful boys who should dare fight their sons. The reader doesn't know for certain that the new boy thinks he is better than Tom, but it is clear that Godfrey thinks he is better than Andy when he says, "He was putting on too many airs. He talked as if he was my equal."

Tom and Godfrey are alike in the fact that they both judged the new boy and Andy based on how they were dressed. Tom automatically assumes that the new boy is a snob simply by what he is wearing. Perhaps Tom lets jealousy get the better of him when he begins taunting the new boy by saying, "I can lick you!" Godfrey automatically assumes that Andy is beneath him because Andy is wearing ragged clothes and is carrying a bundle tied to a stick. Godfrey feels entitled to taunt Andy for standing in front of his house and is insulted when Andy refuses to back down. Godfrey is the one who threatens to give Andy a thrashing.

8. B            9. B            10. C            11. B
12. (Part A) A      (Part B) A, C
13. (Part A) C      (Part B) B
14. (Part A) B      (Part B) A
15. (Part A) C      (Part B) B
16. (Part A) D      (Part B) A
17. (Part A) A      (Part B) B
18. (Part A) D      (Part B) B
19. A

20. *Responses will vary.* Students must use evidence from all three passages to support their responses.

21. (Part A) B      (Part B) D
22. A            23. B            24. B, C            25. A
26. C
27. (Part A) B      (Part B) A
28. D            29. C
30. (Part A) A      (Part B) B