Private Peaceful

Text Response

Select one of the following essay questions

“Understand this, Thomas Peaceful, that here I am your lord and master. You do what I say when I say it.” Mr Munnings in ‘Private Peaceful’

How does authority shape the lives of Thomas Peaceful and his family?

Or

“But the thing is, Sergeant, even if I wanted to, I can’t go with you because I’d have to leave Tommo behind, and I can’t do that.” “You miserable little worm, Peaceful... I should shoot you right where you are and save the firing squad the trouble”.

How does Michael Morpurgo explore the themes ‘courage and cowardice’ in ‘Private Peaceful’?

Or

“In peace, sons bury their fathers. In war, fathers bury their sons.” Herodotus, a Greek historian.

How does WW1 impact the people Thomas Peaceful knows?

Or

“In the next room slept the two people I most loved in all the world who, in finding each other, had deserted me.” Thomas Peaceful

Explore the many ways love and friendship exists in the Peaceful family.

Word Count:

600 Words
STUDENT EDITING CHECKLIST

(YOU MUST FILL THIS OUT BEFORE YOU SUBMIT ANY PIECE OF WRITTEN WORK – WITHOUT IT, WORK WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU)

✓ Have I completed the task to the very best of my abilities......... YES / NO (CIRCLE)
Explanation, if necessary........................................................................................................

✓ Have I done the task, as per the guidelines / teacher’s explanations? .......YES / NO
Explanation, if necessary ........................................................................................................

✓ Is my piece neatly written / word processed and formatted appropriately?
Explanation, if necessary ........................................................................................................

✓ Is my piece appropriate in length? .............................................................. YES / NO
Explanation, if necessary ........................................................................................................

✓ Have I provided enough detail to be expressive and convincing, in response to the set task? .............................................................. YES / NO
Explanation, if necessary ........................................................................................................

✓ Have I really tried to check (and alter, as necessary) the following (CIRCLE, TO INDICATE):

➢ Spelling?
➢ Use of apostrophes?
➢ Use of commas?
➢ Use of full stops?
➢ Use of capital letters?
➢ Use of other punctuation, as necessary?
➢ Paragraphing
➢ Sentence structure – are my sentences clear and concise?
➢ Have I considered my tense and made sure it is consistent throughout my piece?
Explanation, if necessary ........................................................................................................

RATE YOUR SATISFACTION WITH THIS PIECE (out of 10).................................
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**TEXT RESPONSE**

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