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Intro

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Sample thesis

In her memoir, *The Glass Castle*, Jeannette Walls illustrates that suffering shapes character (theme) through poverty, bullying, and neglect (points).

Point #1: **poverty**

TS introduces the point (**poverty**) for the paragraph

CD Jeannette and her siblings have to scavenge for food.

CM Explain what that CD reveals

CM Explain why that CD is important (link to theme)

**HINT: Think about the formative nature of this experience. What does Jeannette learn? How does she become more confident and self-reliant in the long run?**

CD Jeannette makes her own braces.

CM Explain what that CD reveals, including how Jeannette grows from this experience

CM Explain why that CD is important (link to theme), including how Jeannette is at the end of the memoir as opposed to the beginning

CS summarizes your point in relation to the theme

Point #2: **bullying**

TS introduces the point (**bullying**) for the paragraph

CD Jeannette has to endure the nasty things that students call her: “teacher’s pet . . . matchstick . . .” (44-45).

CM Explain what that CD reveals

CM Explain why that CD is important (link to theme)

**HINT: Think about the formative nature of this experience. What does Jeannette learn? How does she become more confident and self-reliant in the long run?**

CD Dinitia stops bullying Jeannette because Jeannette saves Dinitia’s neighbor.

CM Explain what that CD reveals, including how Jeannette grows from this experience

CM Explain why that CD is important (link to theme), including how Jeannette is at the end of the memoir as opposed to the beginning

CS summarizes your point in relation to the theme

Point #3: **neglect**

TS introduces the point (**neglect**) for the paragraph

CD “‘Sink or swim!’” (66).

CM Explain what that CD reveals

CM Explain why that CD is important (link to theme)

**HINT: Think about the formative nature of this experience. What does Jeannette learn? How does she become more confident and self-reliant in the long run?**

CD Jeannette gets a job selling jewelry.

CM Explain what that CD reveals, including how Jeannette grows from this experience

CM Explain why that CD is important (link to theme), including how Jeannette is at the end of the memoir as opposed to the beginning

CS summarizes your point in relation to the theme