
IB CLASS OF 2017 - EXTENDED ESSAY TOPICS

To what extent do the traditional values of southern society, and its expectations influence the moral development of significant characters Scout and Atticus Finch in the novel *To Kill a Mockingbird*

To what extent does role assumption assist with abuse of authority, supremacy and inequality in the Police Force as analyzed through the Stanford Prison Experiment, the Bio-Psycho Branch of Psychology and the Clinical Branch of Psychology

To what extent does Flaubert utilize diction and characterization to comment on the satirical gender roles in the novel *Madame Bovary*?

How does mise-en-scene contribute to the understanding of the protagonist, Mark Zuckerberg in *The Social Network* (2010)?

How does George Orwell illustrate the strict structure of life imposed by Government in *Animal Farm*

How does George Balanchine use movement to express different moods in *A Plotless Ballet*

To what extent has Nike's incorporation of human resources management training impacted the working conditions in factories abroad

The effect of European events and ideologies on Turkey and the Armenian Genocide

To what extent do the reconstructions post United States Civil War and World War 1 in the United States compare and contrast through the means of political systems and socioeconomic stagnation

How does William Golding express the conflict between civilization and savagery in *Lord of the Flies* through symbolism, characterization and the corruption of the boys

What are the similarities and differences of beliefs in salvation in Roman Catholicism and Mahayana Buddhism

To what extent does Ayn Rand's novel *Anthem* prove the impossibility of collectivism due to the unconscious habits of individuality

Individuality in Kafka's *The Metamorphosis* and *The Love Song of J. Alfred Prufrock*

How is the market structure of the retail hearing aid market of southwest Florida changing in response to increasing demand, revealed by market share, firm longevity, and market entry barriers

To what extent has Shinto and Mahayana Buddhism influenced each other in growing into the dominant religions of Japan and how did they affect the life of its followers

To what extent does Salvador Dali and Rene Magritte's paintings demonstrate the aesthetic theory of imitationalism and common subject matter to reveal the tenets of surrealism

How does Fitzgerald use metaphor of character relationships, symbols of the unattainable American Dream, and the irony of success in *The Great Gatsby* to show that wealth does not create happiness and what does it reveal about class structure

The effects of labeling on schizophrenia

In the movement *Mold au* from the *Symphony Ma Valast*, how does Bedrich Smetana use different musical techniques to portray the beauty of Bohemia

An Insight in the emotional reasoning behind camera shots and angles

To what extent does Dove focus on women when it comes to their unique marketing strategies

An exploration of Jane Austen's use of the concepts of pride and prejudice in her novel *Pride and Prejudice*

Deconstruction of the steps to achieving surrealism in Dali's *Madonna of Port Lligat* and *Soft Watch at the Moment of First Explosion*

To what extent did the Vietnam war effect the economy of the United States during the 1970's in terms of GDP, the price of fuel, and the unemployment rate.

To what extent does the Walt Disney Company's marketing mix contribute to the annual growth in their Florida them park attendance

To what extent is Alphonse Mucha's work considered in the art movement of Art Nouveau by comparing his piece Summer in the Seasons series to Egon Schiele's Nude Lying Down through art elements, stylistic characteristics and metaphor

How and to what extent does Emily Bronte's use gothic diction to depict disability and deformity within Wuthering Heights and its correlation to the thematic ideas of identity, love and illness

To what extent as Tesla's environmental marketing platform contributed to their exponential growth in consumer sales

Why is literal creationism essential to Protestant Christianity

Musical analysis of a father and son: What may influence a composer

How does Austen use characterization, dialogue, and the motif of pride in Pride and Prejudice to show the extent to which one's moral understanding affects individual relationships

The role of existential philosophies in Ernest Hemingway's novel A Farewell to Arms

How does Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie create a feminist theme through a transposition of the characters' identities during wartime in Half of a Yellow Sun

How does the sex of an individual affect the risk of developing an addiction/substance dependence to illicit psychoactive drugs over licit psychoactive drugs

How does Kesey's use of literary devices in One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest promote the theme of individuality versus conformity

An exploration in the use of dialogue and the revelation of human nature in Undertale

How does the implicit meaning of Diego Rivera's pieces The Flower Carrier and Disembarkation of the Spanish at Veracruz compare to Banksy's pieces Christ with Shopping Bags and Mobile Lovers by reflecting the social issues of the people through the elements of art, symbolism, and their location

To what extent does Zara differentiate itself successfully in the fashion industry by the use of the supply chain management

America. Land of the doomed and home of the corrupted in F. Scott Fitzgerald's The Great Gatsby

The façade of love between Daisy Buchanan and Jay Gatsby in F. Scott Fitzgerald's novel The Great Gatsby supported through evidence of symbolism, flashback, and character development

How has the American cruise industry responded to the costs of oil and its price volatility in recent years

An analysis of Quentin Tarantino's Django Unchained and Inglourious Basterds

The role the media in the public perception and outcomes of the Watergate scandal and the Iran Contra Affair

Duality of nature in Salvador Dali's paintings: Portrait of My Dead Brother and Madonna

The roles of propaganda and the effects played throughout world War II

How are women presented in their social classes through prescribed qualifications in George Bernard Shaw's Pygmalion, in terms of dialect

An investigation into reaction rates for tertiary butyl chloride and sodium hydroxide in relation to varying stirring speeds

To what extent does the ratio between weights of charcoal to volume of carbonated water affect the ability to sequester CO₂ within a biochar system

How did the major social and religious changes of the early Protestant reformation alter the nature of Satan as seen through sermons and novels written before and during the reformation

How do the protagonists in the novel *Room* by Emma Donoghue and the screenplay *Life is Beautiful* by Roberto Benigni and Vincenzo Cerami use dishonesty in order to preserve innocence in their child and lessen their suffering

A comparative analysis of the inverse relationship between human nature and human convention: explored through the use of irony and diction in *1984* and *Animal Farm*

To what extent does Frida Kahlo's and Lucian Freud's portraits transform identities through the use of artistic style, the unconscious mind, and audience reaction

To what extent do Salvador Dali's paintings represent the Surrealist Manifestos in terms of subject matter, elements and principles

Racial issues and their appearance in Jean Basquiat's work through neo expressionism, color and text

To what extent is language used as the main proponent of suppression in George Orwell's *1984*

To what extent does Ray Bradbury use dialogue and characterization to show how censorship leads to revolutionary acts in *Fahrenheit 451*

To what extent do adolescent's underdeveloped brains make them more susceptible to addiction to recreational drugs

The impact of society's influences on the comparison of the different choreographic styles of Jack Cole and Bob Fosse

To what extent does Zora Neale Hurston use visual and auditory imagery and the motifs of voice and vision in order to portray Janie's liberation from social expectations as well as personal restrictions

In the book *The Great Gatsby*, how does F. Scott Fitzgerald show how the American Dream is corrupt in the upper and lower classes through his use of characterization

To what extent did televised news coverage of the Vietnam War influence the public's perspective and feeling about American involvement in the war as shown by its effect on Military strategy, the treatment of veterans, and the Anti-War Movement

Freedom from the shackles of collectivism: Symbolism and point of view in transition in *Anthem*

An investigation into the crosslinking properties of 1, 2, 3-propanetriol to increase resilience in polyurethane foam through a weight drop test

How can the definition and determination of art be explored through the work of Robert Mapplethorpe

To what extent did diplomacy become the first response between the US and the USSR over the course of the Kennedy administration

To what extent does Harper Lee use characterization, symbolism, and imagery in order to portray *To Kill a Mockingbird* through a feminist lens

In what ways does Pearl S. Buck show suppression of people in a Marxist regime by highlighting power struggle, abusive power, and purity through imagery and symbolism in *The Good Earth*

How does Joseph Heller's *Catch-22* and Kurt Vonnegut's *Slaughterhouse-Five* compare the idea of free will through character development and motifs of illusion

To what extent did the Prohibition act as a catalyst to the Great Depression

To what extent do biological and environmental factors influence the success of treatment of substance addiction through talk and chemical therapy

To what extent did the 1973 OPEC oil embargo play a role in Japanese automobile manufacturers affecting the United States automobile market in terms of design, efficiency, and sales

The Geo Political economics of the 4th Crusade and the Crimean War

To what extent are individuals manipulated into using illicit psychoactive drugs when observing widespread evidence through scientific journals and case studies of those who regularly abuse drugs and those who do not

The corruption of society in *The Great Gatsby* and *Lord of the Flies*

How does Harper Lee critique fairness and justice in *To Kill a Mockingbird*

What role did McCarthyism play in the early 20th Century United States and to what extent did McCarthyism ignite the fears of the American people

Does Keith Haring use juxtaposition to comment on the superficial and impressionable nature of humanity in his artwork

How does Mark Twain critique society using characters and symbolism of the raft in *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn*

How does Jeffrey Eugenides use symbolism and irony to portray the illusion of suburbia in *The Virgin Suicides*

The location of Jews in America based off of American culture and outside events

How does Golding use the juxtaposition of high and low in *Lord of the Flies* to warn the human race of the ease of savagery

Analysis of musical techniques used in *Symphonie Fantastique* by Hector Berlioz

To what extent do Gabriel Garcia Marquez and F.Scott Fitzgerald criticize gender roles and the role that men play over women through the use of characterization and motifs in their novels *Chronicle of a Death Foretold* and *The Great Gatsby*

To what extent does F. Scott Fitzgerald portray the corruption behind the American Dream through the use of selected characters, symbols, and themes in his novel *The Great Gatsby*

To what extent was the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941 inevitable

An exploration of Lois Lowry's use of fear and symbols in *Gathering Blue*

To what extent does F. Scott Fitzgerald illustrate the corruption of power due to the imbalance of wealth by the use of characterization and symbolism in the novel *The Great Gatsby*

The influence of people and evidence of the Zodiac Killer Case on police stereotypes

Ray Bradbury's use of thematic ideas of destruction of knowledge and repression or originality to portray the importance of exploring one's self and one's power or oppressors in *Fahrenheit 451*

How significant is the role of key lighting in a comedy film to keep the atmosphere of the setting positive

In *Brave New World*, how does Aldous Huxley use totalitarianism to critique society being scientifically conditioned to behave a certain way

Counter culture or commercial? Investigating Shepard Fairey's *AK-47* and *Mark Art Not War*

Investigating the effects of varying concentrations of oxidant on the reaction rate of a luminol solution (5-amino-2,3-dihydro-1,4-phthalazinedione and sodium hydroxide) and sodium hypochlorite

The implementation of 'blood and iron' policies by Otto von Bismarck in late 19th century Germany and its effect on the German political climate

How does F. S. Fitzgerald use characterization and symbolism in *The Great Gatsby* to portray ultimate unhappiness and the corruption of the American Dream

Maximilien Robespierre's role in the political downfall of the Jacobin Party before and during France's Reign of Terror (1792-1794)

The Katyn Massacre and its result of the Warsaw uprising through Soviet manipulation and interactions

To what extent did media coverage and race play a role in the acquittal of O.J. Simpson

To what extent does self-motivation captivate the American Dreams true intentions as an intrapersonal wealth rather than a materialistic achievement through the use of metaphors and symbolism to portray that happiness is found within self-contempt in Hologram for the King

To what extent Chuck Palahniuk depicts the importance of masculinity as the primary reason for the absurd actions through diction, imagery, and dialogue in Fight Club

Contributions of motion capture - necessity, ethicality, future use and enhancement of filmmaking

Diction, oxymoron, and symbolism represent how the absence of freedom of speech and thought gives power to the totalitarianism society in the novel 1984 by George Orwell

Aaron Douglas' Aspects of Negro Life and the progression of African Americans in society

To what extent does Pearl S. Buck use the marginalization of women to show Wang Lung's role as a dynamic character

How does John Steinbeck critique social classes in Of Mice and Men to show the inability to rise into prosperity

Fathering and its influence on development

Catholic church influence in the Rwandan Genocide

What marketing strategies could Blockbuster have used to prevent bankruptcy

How and why did the United States react to the Cuban missile crisis through military and political action

Kathryn Stockett's utilization of racial and gender juxtaposition to emphasize the importance of sisterhood in The Help

To what extent did the Thirty Years' War define the nations of Sweden, Norway, and Denmark as the Kingdom of Scandinavia while excluding the neighboring countries of Iceland and Finland

To what extent does corporate culture at Twitter impact their profitability

To what extent did the media play a role in the passage of legislation dealing with serial killings that took place in the 1970's

To what extent does the patriarchal structure of society determine gender roles and how does money relate to happiness and love in The Great Gatsby by F. Scott Fitzgerald

Deeply Shallow: The role of costume design in character development in the Broadway musical Wicked

How does Huxley depict the imperfections of a dystopian society in Brave New World

How can complexation and centrifugal separation of species be used to remove the maximum percentage of trivalent chromium from a solution of chromium (III) nitrate when mixed with different ratios of sodium hydroxide to chromium

To what extent does Jeffrey Eugenides critique traditional gender roles and the objectification of women through the use of narration, symbolism, and characterization in The Virgin Suicides

How does Robert Louis Stevenson explore good vs. evil in his novella The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde through use of dialogue, imagery and character analysis

To what extent does Ray Bradbury utilize the literary techniques of color scheming, irony, and extended metaphor as a way of cautioning future generations of a possible world that discourages freethinking and promotes antisocial lifestyles

How does Huxley use connotation, dialogue and allusion in Brave New World to show the role of language in shaping an individual's thought process

Jazz in the 1920's: African Americans and women expressing freedom through music

The journey towards a liberated and more authentic self with Plath's poetry

To what extent does Sylvia Plath use characterization of the male characters in *The Bell Jar* as weak in order to negate the idea that women must rely on men for a successful life

To be or not to be, to love or not to love: Gender, sexuality, and conformity in *Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe*

To what extent does Hokusai's *Rider in the Snow* parallel the message of harmony in Van Gogh's *Couple Walking in the Trees* through principals of design, artistic style and the symbolism of nature

To what extent did the media coverage of the Homestead Strike impact Andrew Carnegie's image as well as lead him to becoming the great philanthropist that he was

How F. Scott Fitzgerald utilizes imagery and characterization in *The Great Gatsby* to display how overpowering wealth leads to a fictional sense of love

The inevitable corruption encountered when achieving the American dream in F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby*

Sacred Dissonance: The use of chord structure, melodic contour and form to express the importance of the interdependence of purity and evil

To what extent has Sea World's crisis management effectively contained public backlash from the *Blackfish* documentary

To what extent has the recent drop in crude oil prices affected the Canadian dollar, Alberta's GDP and Alberta's labor market

Characters as a form of social critique within *Brave New World*

Immigration of Martians in H.G. Wells' *The War of the Worlds*

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How does Shakespeare portray true masculinity with honor rather than power in *Macbeth* through diction and characterization