Good morning,

I would like to know when writing an essay on a poem is it advisable to give background information about the poet? or should we just stick to the question asked?

thanks.

Roxanne

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Re: Last minute help

by E FOTIADIS - 12 May 2017 @ 10:16

Hi Roxanne.

I tried to give extra info on the poet and it was totally disregarded and I was told it was irrelevant. Rather not (from my personal experience).

Are you considering doing the poetry section in the exam?

Regards

Elizabeth

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Re: Last minute help

by R BEHARI - 12 May 2017 @ 12:21

If it applies, I think you should know a bit of background. You don't need to learn dates of birth and death but a general idea of who the poet was and what he/she did and what they were influenced by would add depth and clarity to your analysis.

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Re: Last minute help

by R VAN DER WESTHUIZEN - 15 May 2017 @ 9:46

Dear R Behari,

Today is the day of the exams and I have not yet received my marks for assignment 02 or the feedback on it. I do have the general feedback for assignment 02. I did "Seven Steps to Heaven". The question that is discussed in the general feedback and the actual question of assignment 02 are not the same thus not really relative for feedback? I did work through the feedback though.

| I have mailed lecturers and they are not responding. I find it a bit surprising that I have not received my marks and it is the day of exams. |
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| How do I go about resolving this matter? |
| Kind regards, |
| Roezhae van der Westhuizen |
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Re: Last minute help by K BUCHANAN - 15 May 2017 @ 20:05

I just wanted to say thank you so much for all your help. I haven't commented on every thread but I have read all of your posts and looked at all the links you have shared. You have been a very helpful e-tutor.

I actually surprisingly enjoyed the exam today. The questions were nice ones and I felt like I had plenty to say on the topics, the only thing I am a bit concerned about is the flow of the essay. It's very difficult to have a well-flowing essay under exam conditions because there is just no time to plan out your essay first and unfortunately, when you remember something else, you can't go back and "edit" the paragraph like you can in an assignment. Hopefully the markers will be a bit more lenient than they were for the assignments. Overall it went much better than I had expected. Thanks again for all your help.