

FALSE CLAIMS ... – ESSAY WRITING SCAFFOLD:

*Please note that this scaffold is just a general guideline, not a prescription for successful essay writing. You need to add your own original 'flair' and interpretation to make your essays come alive!

INTRODUCTION		
When combined, each element in this table forms one introduction		
ELEMENT:	EXAMPLE:	YOUR EXAMPLE:
Text title, writer's name, connection to topic	The potential for truth telling is the driving force behind many of the poems in Papertalk Green & Kinsella's poetry collection <i>False Claims of Colonial Thieves</i> .	
Response to topic: Highlight Statement	Papertalk Green & Kinsella exploration of the ideas/themes brought up in prompt.	
Response to topic: Supporting ideas (If you like, you can start this sentence with words like "through", "by", "in", "when", "throughout" or linking words OR phrases such "as well as", "likewise", "subsequently", etc.	Through the poets portrayal of ...	

Response to topic: Contrasting idea <u>IF APPROPRIATE TO THE PROMPT</u> (If you like, you can start this sentence with a contrasting word like 'however', 'conversely', 'on the other hand', etc)	However, Kinsella and Papertalk Green have slightly differing perspectives ...	
Response to topic: End statement & "signpost" topics to be discussed in Body Paragraphs	In this way, both authors/poets collection acknowledge that...	

BODY PARAGRAPHS:

*Remember, TEEL is a guide, not a sequence. You want your writing to be clear and logical, but not 'clunky' or mechanical.

BODY PARAGRAPH 1:		
Element:	Example ONLY:	Your example:
Topic sentence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting idea 1 	The authors' interests in voicing memories and coming to terms with the present is expressed through...	
Elaboration (if topic sentence has not been fully explained)	In the poem 'Always Thieves' Papertalk Green reveals ...	
Evidence -Integrate this with your explanation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Embed key quotes and references to structures and features of the text into your sentences You MUST use metalanguage Refer to examples from 2-3 poems per body paragraph 'Layer' each piece of evidence and explanation Explanation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explain/analyse evidence, 	The references to contrasting ideas such as an historic penal settlement and modern tourist destination symbolise ...	

<p><u>metalinguage</u>, writer's purpose, <u>society/culture</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> You can use words like "challenges", "critiques", "critical of", "supports", "promotes", "confronts", "reveals", etc. 		
<p>Link</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Link to question, next paragraph and conclude idea Make sure you 'pair' this with the topic sentence, but address the way the author positions the readers (what the author wants them to feel and do after reading the text) Consider different audiences here – Nigerian, western, male, female, etc. 	<p>Ultimately it becomes clear that Papertalk Green's experiences and their haunting memories of the past create a sense of ...</p>	

BODY PARAGRAPH 2	
Element:	Your example:
<p>Topic sentence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting Idea 2 	
<p>Elaboration (if topic sentence has not been fully explained)</p>	

Evidence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key quotes and references to structures and features • Refer to 2-3 poems Explanation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain/analyse evidence, <u>metalanguage</u>, writer's purpose, <u>context</u> 	
Link <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link to question, next paragraph and conclude idea 	

BODY PARAGRAPH 3	
Element:	Your example:
Topic sentence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting Idea 3 OR Contrasting Idea 1 	
Elaboration (if topic sentence has not been fully explained)	
Evidence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key quotes and references to structures and features • Refer to 2-3 poems Explanation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain/analyse evidence, <u>metalanguage</u>, writer's purpose, <u>society/culture</u> 	

Link <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link to question, next paragraph and conclude idea 	
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BODY PARAGRAPH 4	
Element:	Your example:
Topic sentence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting Idea 4 OR Contrasting Idea 2 	
Elaboration (if topic sentence has not been fully explained) Evidence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key quotes and references to structures and features • Refer to 2-3 poems 	
Explanation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain/analyse evidence, <u>metalanguage</u>, <u>writer's purpose</u>, <u>society/culture</u> 	
Link <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link to question, next paragraph and conclude idea 	

CONCLUSION		
Element:	Example:	Your example:
Your response to the topic: Highlight statement	Overall, both Papertalk Green and Kinsella are able to express their views on,...	
Paraphrase supporting ideas and contrasting ideas – be succinct	...suggesting that displacement and alienation from one's culture and community can create a sense of ...	

'Big picture' comment about the author's underlying views and values and overall '	Ultimately, both authors/poets urge readers to re-examine our colonial past and ...	
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