	Literary Analysis Template: CHICAGO
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hesis (s	tates the purpose for the entire response/essay):
	Your thesis must
	<ul> <li>✓ answer the following question: Do the texts, "Chicago" by Carl Sandburg and The Great Fire by Jim Murphy have similarities and differences?</li> <li>✓ contain proper punctuation - Capital &amp; Period.</li> <li>✓ include the title and author of both texts included &amp; punctuated correctly.</li> </ul>
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	In addition to your thesis, the introduction must state
	✓ the fact that both texts focus on an urban setting.
	✓ the types (genres) of literature that you are comparing.
	<ul> <li>✓ That text structure impacts meaning</li> <li>★ Don't be too specific, the introduction is simply a preview of what's to</li> </ul>
	come in your essay / response.

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# **Body:**

Discuss the way in which the urban setting is portrayed in each text:

### You must include:

- ✓ An example from "Chicago" that explains the way in which the urban setting is described (use either explicit or implicit evidence).
- ✓ An example from *The Great Fire* that explains the way in which the urban setting is described (use either explicit or implicit evidence).
- ✓ A sentence or two that ties these two examples together
  - ✓ Were the settings (time and place) similar? In what ways?
  - ✓ Were the settings (time and place) different? In what ways?

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**Implicit Evidence:** Paraphrased explanation of what the text says.

### Challenge:

Use both types of evidence in your writing.

# **Body:**

Discuss the way in which the text structure affects the meaning of the text.

#### You must include:

- ✓ An example from "Chicago" that explains the genre and the type of text structure used (you may also choose to describe specific text features) and the way in which that structure/genre affected your understanding of the urban setting.
- ✓ An example from *The Great Fire* that explains the genre and the type of text structure used (you may also choose to describe specific text features) and the way in which that structure/genre affected your understanding of the urban setting.
- ✓ A sentence or two that ties these two examples together
  - ✓ Were the genre / text structures similar or different? In what ways?
  - ✓ In general, how do narratives and informational texts differ in the way in which information is presented and received?


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## **Conclusion:**

Restated thesis (states the purpose for the entire response/essay):

### Your restated thesis must...

- ✓ Begin with an appropriate transitional phrase (as you can see, in conclusion, based on the evidence it is clear that, etc.)
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eview	of the Essay's Main Points:
	In addition to your restated thesis, the conclusion should state
	✓ the fact that both texts focus on an urban setting.
	✓ the types (genres) of literature that you are comparing.
	✓ That text structure impacts meaning
	★ Don't be too specific, you are simply reminding the audience what the general points of your essay / response were.