**RST Outline Practice: Adding Text Evidence**

Directions:

1. Review the outline below.

2. Use the Mc Birney articles to find text evidence that supports thesis and one body paragraph

3. Use ICE or Reasoning &Evidence method to make evidence flow into chosen body paragraph.

Prompt Choice:

**Which article from Jessica Mc Birney was more effective in addressing the idea**

**of racial inequality? (remember to consider rhetorical appeals, word choice and organization of text)**

Intro:

Every country has their scars that are left over from mistakes or problems in their past. For America, racial inequality is one of the deepest scars in our history, and perhaps even our present. Author Jessica Mc Birney has written articles focusing on racial inequality, especially with famous cases from the early to mid 1900s. One such article was “The Scottsboro Boys,” which was about a group of boys struggle to be acquitted for a crime they did not do, but kept getting convicted on account of their color. Another paper she wrote was “Emmett Till,” which was about a young boy who got murdered by a white man who did not like the idea of a colored person flirting with his wife. Though both tackle the same sensitive topic, Jessica McBirney’s Emmett Till article was more effective in addressing the idea of racial inequality.

Body Paragraph 1:

**Topic Sentence:** Mc Birney’s “Scottsboro Boys” article used logos appeals to focus on the struggle of the accused to be acquitted for the false accusations placed against them.

**ICE/ Reason and Evidence:**

Body Paragraph 2:

**Topic Sentence:** In the article named “Emmett Till,” Mc Birney’s word choice to describe Emmett Till’s murder and use of pathos better portrayed the struggles of racial inequality compared to “The Scottsboro Boys.”

**ICE/ Reason and Evidence:**

Body Paragraph 3:

**Topic Sentence**: Both articles were able to accurately show the difficulty of racial inequality, but Emmett Till exceeded the Scottsboro Boys article.

**ICE/ Reason and Evidence:**

**Conclusion:**

As a result of word choice and pathos, “Emmett Till” addressed the idea of racial inequality much clearer than the Scottsboro Boys, which used logos to address the topic at hand. Using language that could pull at one’s heartstrings created a feeling of anger and sorrow to make the reader feel for those who were wronged. The use of pathos and logos helped confront the idea of racism in the early 1900s. Overall, Emmett Till was a better article that clearly addressed the topic of racial inequality.