Do not write on this!

Reading Guide for “A Letter from A Birmingham Jail” by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

**Section 1: You answered the questions in your notes. The questions are found on the class presentation.**

**Section 2: Answer these questions in your notes.**

**Paragraph 14:**

Window: What is his basic **counterargument** to the fact that he broke the law?

Door: Why does he include the quote that ends the paragraph?

**Paragraph 15:**

Window: He drops a lot of names here. Why?

Door: Does this paragraph rely on ethos, logos, and/or pathos? Why?

**Paragraphs 16-18:**

Window: How are Alabama’s laws unjust?

Door: Why bring up voter suppression?

**Paragraphs 19-21A**:

Window: What two examples does he use here?

Door: Why use these two examples?

**Section 3: Answer these questions in your notes**

**Paragraphs 21B-24:**

Together: What are King’s two confessions? (two major criticisms of the white moderate)

Window: Explain his **logical counterargument** about those who agree with his goal, but not his methods. Is his logic valid?

Door: Explain his **logical counterargument** about those who believe he should wait. Is his logic valid?

**Section 4: Answer these questions in your notes**

**Paragraphs 25-26:**

Window: What is he trying to explain here?

Door: Is he appealing mainly to ethos, logos, or pathos?

**Paragraph 27:** Again with the name dropping?

Together: What is his point in referencing all these names?

**Paragraph 28:** Here’s the summary for you. Copy it into your notes.

*The only whites who get it are the ones who march with us.*

**Section 5 Answer these questions in your notes**

**Paragraph 29-40:**

Together: Read these paragraphs quickly and write a brief magnet summary. Set it up like this:

Supporting Idea

Supporting Idea

Main Idea

Supporting Idea

Supporting Idea

**Paragraph 41-End:**

Together: Why is his closing an excellent example of Pathos?