**Revising the essay: “Through the Tunnel”**

**You will be revising your essay on your own and then submitting the brainstorming chart, the rough draft, any revised drafts, and the FINAL GOOD COPY which will be assessed.**

**Prompt: How do symbolic setting details help create the story’s theme about becoming an adult?**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_ Be sure to use the appropriate vocabulary (setting, symbol, theme)**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_ Be sure to directly answer the question in your introductory paragraph. This answer is your thesis and is important to the rest of your essay. (see your graphic organizer!)**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_ Be sure that you remain focused on the details of setting, how they are symbolic, and how these help develop the theme.**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_ Don’t retell me the story! I know this story better than you do! What I need to know is what details of setting from the text show what your thesis states. Use quotations and then explain them.**

 For example: Jerry describes the rocks which hold the underwater tunnel as “a barrier rock” which pressed down “tons of rock.” This rock through which the tunnel runs represents more than a barrier between the bay and the ocean, but also a barrier for Jerry’s maturing. He needs to overcome this image of rock burying him, of pressing down on him in order to even enter the ordeal of the tunnel.

**\_\_\_\_\_ Be sure to proofread your writing for spelling and grammar, please.**

**\_\_\_\_\_ Be sure to use separate paragraphs for each body topic. Be sure to have an introductory paragraph and a closing paragraph.**

**This essay is worth 50 points. This is a major assignment. You need to, at bare minimum, make an attempt.**

**(For teacher use: scoring guide scale)**

**(40=40, 35=38, 30=35, 25=32, 20=30, 15=28, 1=24)**