

AP English Language and Composition
“Darl Bundren’s ‘Cubistic’ Vision” Rhetorical Analysis

Hello, Ladies!

Before you begin today’s rhetorical analysis, due by midnight, you should

1. Look over last week’s rhetorical analysis, returned with comments to the assignment in Jupiter where you were to have turned it in. Those comments should let you know if there’s anything in particular you should review before moving forward.
2. Look back over the rhetorical analysis assignment sheet that I discuss in my second rhetorical analysis screencast. Remember you must discuss the rhetorical applications of the aspects you identify in the text. It is all about argumentation and persuasion. Remember that rhetorical analysis is about looking at the underlying structures and moves of the argument.
3. Remember that even as you may want to point to rhetorical devices and aspects of style (register, diction, syntax...), you should remember ideas such as the stases and appeals along with aspects such as arrangement, coherence, and logic.

The excerpt of the article you are to treat in today’s rhetorical analysis is the end of the article (from “The concepts of motion and time and particularly their relationship...” on p. 52 to the end of the article before the notes). You may discuss this excerpt in light of the rest of the article, if desired. That is, you don’t have to pretend this conclusion is all of the article you have read, but your emphasis should be on this part of the piece.

Here’s the prompt:

Read carefully the conclusion of Watson Branch’s article “Darl Bundren’s ‘Cubistic’ Vision,” about the interrelationship of William Faulkner’s novel *As I Lay Dying* and the Cubist movement of art. In a well organized and well written essay, discuss the rhetorical methods Branch uses to sum up his argument that Darl Bundren’s way of seeing the world is in large part of product of the Cubist point of view.

Try to complete the entire challenge in 45 minutes, from re-reading the conclusion to outlining your response to completing your short essay. Please upload the result (you may include notes as evidence of planning) to the assignment in Jupiter.

Thanks!