

Name Teacher

Wanted Poster Project: Writing Outline (Classwork Grade)

Directions: Please use the text of your choice and the writing prompt to complete the outline.

I. **Claim:** This is the purpose behind your essay.

a. If I were a lawyer, I would rather defend Billy Weaver in court  
because:

i. Reason 1 He simply wanted a place to stay

ii. Reason 2 He didn't ask for the tea

II. **Topic sentence for Reason 1:**

After arriving in Bath, Billy wasn't looking for trouble as he only wanted lodgings.

a. Key supporting **reason/detail:** Provide a reason or detail to elaborate upon the topic.

Billy didn't know where he was going to stay but was told Bath was great.

b. Key supporting **textual evidence:** Select evidence from text to elaborate upon the topic.

Remember to cite it correctly!

The text states, "But Mr. Greenslade ... had told him it was a splendid town. 'Find your own lodgings'" (Dahl 73).

III. **Topic sentence for Reason 2:**

Since Billy only needed a place to stay, he never asked the LL for anything but a room.

a. Key supporting **reason/detail:**

Even when offered the tea, Billy insisted it was unnecessary.

b. Key supporting **textual evidence:**

When offered tea Billy said, "'You really shouldn't bother'" (Dahl 78).

IV. **Concluding thought that restates/revisits the claim.**

Many instances point to Billy Weaver being innocent, so if I were a lawyer I would rather defend him in court.