

Performance Task Argumentative Outline

Claim with two reasons	While some believe assimilation is beneficial because it helps the wolves succeed in human society, it is ultimately harmful because it causes them to feel ashamed of their native identity and as though that identity is being erased.
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Supporting Body Paragraph 1: T-E-A-L

Topic sentence	Assimilation – makes the students feel ashamed of their identity
Evidence	"Then I slunk into the closet and practiced the Sausalito two-step in secret, a private mass of twitch and foam. Mouth shut-shoes on feet! Mouth shut-shoes on feet! Mouthshutmouthshot ..." (238).
Analysis	Zoom in: - "twitch and foam" → indicates that the dance feels unnatural to Claudette - repetition of "Mouth shut" and the elimination of spaces in "Mouthshotmouthshot" → Claudette works hard to resist her natural wolf instincts Zoom out: - Learning to dance the Sausalito two-step → makes Claudette feel like her native wolf identity is shameful - Learning the dance → she tries to unlearn her native identity
Last Sentence	Assimilation – harmful b/c characters feel hatred and shame toward native identity

Supporting Body Paragraph 2: T-E-A-L

Topic sentence	Assimilation – makes students feel like their identity is being erased
Evidence	"Someone was coming in and erasing us. We sprayed and sprayed every morning; and every night, we returned to the same ammonia eradication. We couldn't make our scent stick here; it made us feel invisible" (230).
Analysis	Zoom in: -"ammonia eradication" and "invisible" → diction signals erasure Zoom out: -Characters are losing connection to their native identities as a result of erasure
Last Sentence	Assimilation harmful → wolf identity erased → loss of connection

Counterclaim and Rebuttal Paragraph 3

Counterclaim	
Counterclaim Evidence	
Counterclaim Analysis	Zoom in: Zoom out:

