

Open Question

Crucial Tips:

- Avoid a summary: a specific scene to focus on (and a line or two if you can)
- Prewrite and jot down a few ideas before you write your thesis
- Be sure to write about a theme = “helps to illuminate the meaning of the work as a whole.”
- Write in-depth about a few ideas—two beefy body paragraphs is better than three skimpy ones, three beefy is the best
- Quote or paraphrase and then analyze

1993. "The true test of comedy is that it shall awaken thoughtful laughter." Choose a novel, play, or long poem in which a scene or character awakens "thoughtful laughter" in the reader. Write an essay in which you show why this laughter is "thoughtful" and how it contributes to the meaning of the work.

Please do this timed writing on *Twelfth Night*.