**Part A: Reading Comprehension**

You will read a short story you have never seen before and be required to answer questions.

To study for this section, you should

* Review the four short story responses you handed in. Which questions were difficult to answer? Why?
* Have the 6 types of conflict memorized. Know how to identify them. To do this you can go to this website. <https://americanliterature.com/author/jack-london/short-story/to-build-a-fire> It has many short stories. Read a few and try to identify the type of conflict within the story.

**Part B: Writing**

To study for this section, you should:

* Know how to write a summary. To practice this, read any of the short stories from the link above and summarize them in 5 sentences.
* Know how to write a paragraph. To study for this, you should review the parts of a paragraph. Then, you should practice writing paragraphs on topics of your choice. Possible topics include: weather, current events, parenting terminology (this is a good way to also study for your parenting exam!). I’ve given an example paragraph below:

Miscarriage is the loss of a pregnancy. It usually takes place within the first 20 weeks of pregnancy. Signs of a miscarriage include abdominal pain, and bleeding or spotting. They often occur because the egg or sperm contains the incorrect number of chromosomes, and as a result, the fertilized egg can’t develop normally. Overall, miscarriage is a painful, and tragic occurrence that can happen during pregnancy.

Paragraph Structure:

* Make sure to indent the beginning of every paragraph.
* The first sentence in a paragraph is your topic sentence. This is a general fact about the topic
* 3 supporting examples
* Conclusion sentence.

**Part C: Self-Assessment**

Be able to answer the following questions **in detail.**

1. How have your reading skills improved? Specifically, what improved?
2. How have your writing skills improved? Specifically, what improved?
3. Did you enjoy this course? Why or why not?
4. What was the most difficult task in this course?
5. What was the easiest task in this course?
6. What are some strategies you will take away from this course?
7. Why is it important to have effective literacy skills?