

Sample Body Paragraph for “The Lady or the Tiger?”

Topic Sent. & Trans. Word

Intro. & Counter-Argument

To conclude, the princess cannot watch the death of her lover. While some critics may claim that her barbaric nature has made her accustomed to the horrific violence of the arena, this belief is not true in this case because she has not had to witness that violence enacted on someone she loves. “And yet, that awful tiger, those shrieks, that blood!” (599). The princess knows that the youth trusts her, and she could not tolerate the look in the youth’s eyes once he discovers her betrayal. Furthermore, she would not be able to rid her mind of the images of her lover’s body being torn and devoured by the ferocious tiger. While the princess is angry that she cannot have the youth for herself, she still cannot allow him to die simply because her father forbids their love.

Direct Quote

Explain the quote

Reason #2

Closing sentence with more counter-argument