

Creating a ASOAPSTone

For CP and Honors English 11

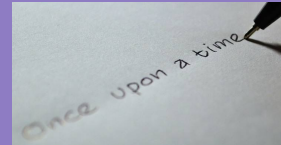
Subjects

- Subjects should be nouns that convey ideas throughout the book.
- Subjects are used as a short summary to tell the main events of the story.
 - Usually the five most important subjects in the book.
 - The subjects should come from different parts of the book, and should not be from one chapter of the book.
- Subjects should be the main basis for the ASOAPSTone.
 - They should link to the immediate occasion and the large occasion.
- An example of a good subject word would be something like “ignorance”(page #) or even “patience” (page #)
 - These are subjects that are commonly found in books and can easily be used to describe events throughout the book.



Immediate Occasion

- The purpose of immediate occasion is to lay out the most important events in the book in sequential order.
 - You must include page numbers after each event to signify the time during the book in which it occurred in order to further understand the sequence of these events.
- Immediate occasions should be used with your subject words in order to tie the entire ASOAPSTone together and connect it to the main points. Make sure to underline them as well in order to help differentiate from the rest of the sentence.
 - Ex: “Kathy knew she wouldn’t do well on the test so she gave up hope” (39).
 - In the sentence, hope is underlined since it is the subject in our sentence.



Larger Occasion

- Larger Occasion describes outside events before the time of publication that may have caused the author to write the way he/she did.
- Occasions can include but are not limited to cultural changes, statistics, specific facts, or any setting in the text that reflects an event in history (any outside information).
 - In order to cite Larger Occasion, you must indicate a reliable source of your information (don’t cite Wikipedia).
- For example, the book *To Kill A Mockingbird* by Harper Lee is staged around the year 1930 in Monroeville, Alabama. Here’s a good example of what a Larger Occasion should look like for this book (keep in mind this is a little shorter than usual).
 - In 1954, Brown v. Board of Education denied segregation in schools, allowed colored children to attend the same schools as white children (“Racial Segregation”).

