

Candidate 4 evidence

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10.	<p>'Disabled' by Wilfred Owen is a sad, poignant poem with a dismal message. The poem follows the traumatic life of a young soldier who has returned from World War I missing both his legs and at least one off his arms. Owen uses techniques such as imagery, word choice, anaphora, metaphors and alliteration to effectively tell the tragic story of this young man and his suffering in life.</p>
	<p>From the beginning Owen discusses the man's sad empty life, "he sat in a wheeled chair, waiting for dark" the life of this young man has been reduced to only being able to be "set in a wheeled chair". This is because Owen tells us the man is "Legless, sewn short at elbow." meaning he is missing both legs and a minimum off one arm. Owen also tells us that the man is "waiting for dark", this is because the man can do nothing for himself. All he can do is wait for someone to come and put him into his bed. However, "waiting for dark" could also be a metaphor for how the man feels his life is finished, and now he is waiting for his sad life to end. This shows the man's suffering as it tells the reader how the man can do nothing for himself and that this just makes him want to die.</p>

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	<p>Owen then continues on describing the young mans own suffering. While the man is set near a window he hears "Voices of boys rang suddenly like a hymn, Voices of play and pleasure afterwards" the use of anaphora when the phrase "Voices of" is repeated allows the writer to really convey to the reader the mans suffering. The young soldier describes the usually happy sound of young boys playing as 'suddenly like a hymn' a hymn is a religious song usually sung at funerals, this links back to how the man wants his tormented life to be over with. The man hears these usually joyful sounds as "sudden" because he is jealous envies these people as they still have the ability to play outside and enjoy each others company. This conveys the young mans suffering as it shows how he is tormented by the normal life of others and it jealously they can continue to lead their life normally.</p>	
	<p>Owen then goes onto discuss how the man desperately wants to escape his traumatic life, "Till gathering sleep had mothered them grown him" here we see how to the man sleep is like a mother to a young child. When he describes sleep as being "mothered" its a metaphor for how the man seeks comfort when he is</p>	

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	<p>asleep as it allows for him escape the trauma of his waking life just as a child seeks comfort within a mother's loving arms.</p>	
	<p>Owen then discusses the mental suffering of the man when he describes how the people like nurses, who are there to help him, "touch him like some queer disease" the word "queer" means strange which lets the reader know how people touch him, like when putting him to bed, as if his horrible injuries were contagious. This conveys the mans suffering as he was once desired by people. his age as a good looking young man. Now, people don't even want to touch with fear of contracting something. This must be a huge toll on the young soldiers health which can only increase his overall suffering.</p>	
	<p>In conclusion, Owens effective use of techniques such as imagery, word choice, metaphors, alliteration and anaphora to tell the story of this young man. And And not only effectively tell the story, but as well as conveying how sad it is as well as all the suffering this poor young soldier must have went through due to his injuries from the war.</p>	