**5 Steps to a Body Paragraph**

**Step 1: Topic Sentence**

Notes:

**Sample:** In “The Most Dangerous Game” by Richard Connell the character of Ivan is meant to intimidate and frighten any visitor to General Zaroff’s island.

**Step 2: Context for Quote**

Notes:

**Sample:** When Rainsford first knocks on Zaroff’s door, it is almost immediately swung open. It is Ivan.

**Step 3: Quote (Integrated!)**

Notes:

**Sample:** Ivan is described as a “gigantic creature, solidly made and black-bearded to the waist. In his hand, he held a long-barreled revolver, and he was pointing it straight at Rainsford’s heart” (Connell 20).

**Step 4: Analysis**

Notes:

**Sample:** This is not the nicest welcoming committee. Physically, Ivan is threatening. He never speaks, and he towers over anyone that he encounters. Furthermore, his first instinct is to point a gun at any visitor.

**Step 5: Concluding Sentence**

Notes:

**Sample:** For Rainsford, and any other visitor to the island, Ivan is as an intimidating introduction.

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Ivan the Giant

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