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**Prompted Essays, text-based:**

The following ideas and information comes from the book *A Curriculum Plan for the Writing Workshop*, Lucy Calkins, Heinemann: Portsmouth, NH, 2011, pps. 132-136.

- Read "**Isaac and Ishmael.**"
- Write an essay that answers the following questions:
  - 1) What is one strong character trait of Abraham? Using evidence from the text, describe this character trait.
  
  - 2) Why do you think it was a test of faith for Abraham to sacrifice his son?
  
  - 3) How do the Jews and Muslims differ in their views of Isaac and Abraham?

**Be sure to:**

- include your claim/inference/thesis in the introduction
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- include some background information about Abraham either in the introduction or first paragraph
- provide one example of evidence/proof/details from the text to support your claim
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- provide as many paragraphs that are necessary to include as much evidence as possible to support your claim.
- conclusion which restates the original claim and provides added insight
- write your essay on loose-leaf
- hand in the essay before writing class is over