**Paragraph 1:  It was a dark and stormy night.  The wind was high.  The trees waved and crashed against the barn.  I looked around me and saw that I wasn’t alone.  A man stood behind me.  He was tall.  He was mean.  He had a knife.  It was shining in the moonlight.  It was long and slender.  He reached back. He stabbed with it.  I jumped out of the way.  I ran away.**

**Paragraph 2:  Tom prefers baseball to basketball.  Baseball seems more interesting to Tom.  Tom feels baseball is a gentleman’s sport. Baseball is more structured than basketball.  Baseball requires athletes to use more skill than aggression when playing.  Tom respects baseball players the most because of this.**

**TURN IN**

**It was my birthday.  I asked for a bike.  My parents bought me a red bike.  It had white strips on the fenders. I like to ride my bike everywhere.  I like to ride on smooth payment best.  I am not allowed to ride on the sidewalk.  People walk on the side walk. I ride on the bike trail in the park. If I have time.**