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Perfect Paragraph: Solitude

Directions: With all of the distractions of the modern world, it has become a challenge to find solitude. After reading the quotes below, write a paragraph with 6-8 sentences stating your view on the importance of solitude and disconnecting from distractions. Cite at least one of the quotes in your answer.

"All of humanity's problems stem from man's inability to sit quietly in a room alone."
— Blaise Pascal

"I never found a companion that was so companionable as solitude."
— Henry David Thoreau

"Loneliness is the poverty of self; solitude is the richness of self."
— May Sarton

"One of the greatest necessities in America is to discover creative solitude."
— Carl Sandburg

"The monotony and solitude of a quiet life stimulates the creative mind."
— Albert Einstein

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Perfect Paragraph: Happiness

Directions: Read the following quotes. Write a paragraph with 6-8 sentences stating whether you agree or disagree with these quotes. Cite at least one of the above quotes in your answer.

"Remember, happiness doesn't depend upon who you are or what you have; it depends solely on what you think." - **Dale Carnegie**

"Most folks are about as happy as they make up their minds to be." - **Abe Lincoln**

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Perfect Paragraph: Perseverance

Directions: Read the following quotes. Write a paragraph with 6-8 sentences stating your opinion about these quotes. Which one do you agree with? Why? Cite at least one of the quotes in your answer.

"Only those who dare to fail greatly can ever achieve greatly."
- **Robert F. Kennedy**

When you come to the end of your rope, tie a knot and hang on.
- **Franklin D. Roosevelt**

"For a righteous man falls seven times, and rises again."
- **Bible Proverbs 24:16**

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Perfect Paragraph: Intellectual Curiosity

Directions: Read the following quotes. Write a paragraph with 6-8 sentences stating how you could apply these ideas to your life. Cite at least one of the above quotes in your answer.

"Curiosity is one of the permanent and certain characteristics of a vigorous mind." - **Samuel Johnson**

"I'm never bored anywhere; being bored is an insult to oneself." - **Jules Renard**