

Wheeler High School

World Literature

Wickham

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Compare and contrast the Flood Story from *Genesis* with the flood story in *Gilgamesh*.

Choose one of the following questions to answer in a body paragraph.

- 1) What are the most important differences and from what do those differences arise?
- 2) What are the key similarities?
- 3) What causes the two floods?
- 4) Compare and contrast the characters of Noah and Utnapishtim. Do these figures serve the same purpose within the context of their stories?

Body Paragraph Structure:

1. Topic Sentence: Include your claim.
2. 2-3 Chunks: 2-3 pieces of evidence from the texts (1 direct and 1 indirect quotes), and interpretation of the evidence. Use transition sentences to get from one idea to the next.
  - a. 2 chunks=B (highest you earn is an 89)
  - b. 3 chunks=A (highest you earn is a 100)
3. Closing: tie off any loose ends and wrap up your paper. Restate the claim in a different way.

Extra Credit: How do you explain the similarities between a Hebrew scriptural text and an ancient Mesopotamian epic?