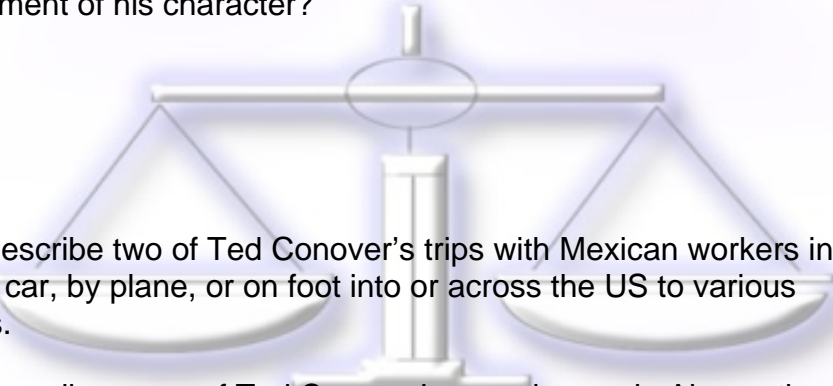


Crime & Punishment in Literature  
Fall 2007  
Midterm Take-home Examination

*Native Son*

1. Using quotes and concrete examples from the novel, explain the relationship between fear, hate, and violence in the life of Bigger Thomas.
2. How does Bigger Thomas's view of the world, himself, his friends and family change after killing? Please use quotes and concrete examples from the novel.
3. What effect does Bigger Thomas's relationship with Mr. Max and Jan have on the development of his character?



*Coyotes*

1. Please describe two of Ted Conover's trips with Mexican workers in detail – traveling by car, by plane, or on foot into or across the US to various destinations.
2. Please describe some of Ted Conover's experiences in Ahuacatlan with the family with whom he is living and his conversation with the priest. Why does he travel there? What does he learn about his fellow travelers?

Your answers should be word processed and written in clear, grammatical prose. Use quotations and concrete examples from the books to illustrate your points. Cite the page number from which you took the quotes. Put these page numbers in parenthesis. All quoted material must be in quotation marks or it is considered plagiarism. Responses should be as long as needed to satisfactorily answer the question.

Native Son answers are due by Wednesday, October 10. You can leave your papers in the mailbox outside my office door (Bay Hall 340).