## Coach Carter-Final Thought Paragraph.

In the movie, Coach Carter there are many lessons that the group learned about being successful. As coach Carter stated, "If you are successful in here- You will be successful out there!" In one well organized paragraph, answer the following question- "What was the biggest lesson that an individual learned or the team learned to be successful?"

- > You can write from the point of view of one character or as a group.
- This is where your notes on your chosen character might be helpful.
- Your paragraph must include sentence variety: Sentence openers, dress-ups and variety of sentence lengths.
- **➢** Word Choice is always important.
- > Planning and organization is imperative. Please use the template on the back to help guide your writing or any other type of graphic organizer. Your planning MUST be handed in with the good copy.

Write in the 3<sup>rd</sup> person--- DO NOT use I

DO NOT use expressions such as:

- > I think the main lesson was the team learned to share. INSTEAD- The main lesson was the team learned to share.
- > The reason why I think this... The reason why this is true is because...

These are considered wordy/conversational language and are not appropriate at the grade 9 level.

and absolutely

## Paragraph structure:

Topic Sentence:	
Introduce topic. What are you going to prove?	
	Use a transitional word: To begin with, First of all, Most importantly,
First Reason	
Reason why I believe what I said in my topic sentence is true.	
EXPLAIN	
Example/fact/quote that supports my first main point	
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Example/fact/quote that supports my first main point	
	Transitional word: Also, another reason, Furthermore, In addition, Similarly,
Second Reason	
Reason why I believe what I said in my topic sentence is true.	
EXPLAIN	
Example/fact/quote that supports my second main point	
EXPLAIN	
Example/fact/quote that supports my second main point	
	Transitional word: Lastly, Another reason, Furthermore, In addition, Similarly
Third Reason	
Reason why I believe what I said in my topic sentence is true.	
EXPLAIN	
Example/fact/quote that supports my second main point	
EXPLAIN	
Example/fact/quote that supports my second main point	
Concluding Sentence.	
Restate topic sentence in a different way	