

"Power of One" essay assignment

THE POWER OF ONE

Opening Story Line:

"In the 1680's Dutch, French and Germans fled religious persecution in Europe and settled in Southern Africa. They called themselves the Afrikaners -- White Africans. For the next 250 years the British Empire fought the Afrikaners for control of the land, the gold, and 20 million native Africans.

In 1948 a conservative Afrikaner government was voted into power. A system of racial segregation and discrimination was installed as the law of the land. The Afrikaners called this system apartheid. Our story begins 18 years earlier, in 1930 on a small farm in South Africa."

Closing Story Line:

"In South Africa and around the world the struggle to gain human rights and equality for all people continues. Changes can come from the power of many, but only when the many come together to form that which is invincible...the power of one."

Assignment:

Compose a reflection paper about the movie. Be sure to include the following in your paper:

- The myth of the Rainmaker
- P.K.'s growth as a person
- P.K's image as the Rainmaker
- Your reaction to the film
- The message of the film
- Other events in the world or in your life where the "power of one" has been demonstrated

Your paper will be evaluated on:

- Content (complete explanations, including specifics from the film, supporting your opinions, etc.)
- Spelling and grammar
- Structure (introduction, body(content), and conclusion)
- Typed (1 1/2 pages) or in ink (2 1/2 pages)

