Creative Writing 2 Homework & Class Recap

The Journey and The Ordeal

This is a two-part assignment covering the entire middle section of your Hero's Journey.

Part 1: Writing the Mentor Scene

Goal: Write a full scene (1-2 paragraphs) detailing the "Meeting the Mentor" stage (Stage 3) from your plan.

Scene Content: Introduce your Mentor character.

Describe the setting where they meet the hero (it should feel different from the Ordinary World). Include dialogue where the Mentor gives the hero a specific piece of advice, a gift, or a warning that will be crucial for the challenges ahead.

Part 2: Outlining The Gauntlet and The Ordeal

Goal: Use the graphic organizer below to plan the remaining critical stages of your story.

Stage		Name of Event/Character	KeyAction <i>l</i> Goal	Outcome (Skill Gained or Item Found)
Challenge 1 (Test/Ally)	The first small obstacle or friend they meet.			
Challenge 2 (Obstacle/Enemy)	The first time the hero fails or faces a foe.			
Challenge 3 (Preparation)	The final test before the climax.			
The ORDEAL (Climax)	The final, biggest confrontation. (Thevillain, the monster, or the dark secret.)			
The Return/Reward	How does the hero return home? (What reward did they earn? What did they learn?)			

Critical Check-In (Before The Ordeal)

Ensure the challenges in your Gauntlet (Challenges 1, 2, and 3) logically lead to the skills or items needed to survive the ORDEAL

Example

If the Ordeal requires your hero to sneak past a giant guard, one of your challenges must have been gaining the skill of stealth or finding a disguise.