***Sarah Logue/Jermain Loguen Letters*** **Argument Skeleton**

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| State Sarah Logue’s purpose and argument (claim) in your own words: | Write one quote from the letter that indicates her argument. | Does the reason seem to help prove the argument? Why or why not? How does it create a sense of ethos, logos, or pathos? |
| State Sarah Logue’s first reason for her argument. | Write a quote that indicates her first reason. |  |
| State Sarah Logue’s second reason for her argument.She threatens him with some cause and effect reasoning regarding the loss of her horse. | Write a quote that indicates her second reason.“though we got the mare back, she was never worth much after you took her.” She follows that up with “and as I now stand in need of some funds, I have determined to sell you.”  | This is a logical approach for her to take, but it is not persuasive to me because she’s essentially threatening him with another abusive owner. She might be more successful if she tried being nice. |
| State Sarah Logue’s third reason for her argument. | Write a quote that indicates her third reason |  |

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| State Jermain Loguen’s purpose and argument (claim) in your own words: | Write one quote from the letter that indicates his argument. | Does the reason seem to help prove the argument? Why or why not? How does it create a sense of ethos, logos, or pathos? |
| State Jermain Loguen’s first reason for his argument. | Write a quote that indicates his first reason. |  |
| State Jermain Loguen’s second reason for his argument.He is bitter over his treatment as a young man, so he feels he doesn’t owe her anything, as shown in this rhetorical question. | Write a quote that indicates his second reason.“Woman, did you raise your own children for the market?” | This is a logical argument for him to make, since as a slave he would not have been treated as her own white children would have been. It’s persuasive because it shows the warped logic of her claim. |
| State Jermain Loguen’s third reason for his argument. | Write a quote that indicates his third reason |  |
| Which letter seems most persuasive? **Topic + opinion + reasons = outcome** |
| Write one reason why this letter seems most persuasive. |
| Write one more reason why this letter seems most persuasive. |