Thomas did everything his friends did even when he knew it was wrong. One day they were passing drugs along the hallway and he got caught with the drugs and he was arrested. He argued that he did not use the drugs and that he was only holding them. Unfortunately, this is often the case with young people. They oftentimes fall victim to peer pressure and feel as if they should not be punished as a result of their actions. In the short story, “Thank you, M’am”, Roger tried to steal Ms. Luella Bates Washington Jones’ purse. As a young person, Roger should not be going down the path of becoming a career criminal. Roger should be (should not be) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for attempting to steal Ms. Luella Bates Washington Jones’ purse because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

(1st reason) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Sentences to support the 1st reason. Provide examples, facts, and statistics. Use the article “Juvenile Justice” and from “Thank you, M’am”.

(2nd reason) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Sentences to support the 2nd reason. Provide examples, facts, and statistics. Use the article “Juvenile Justice” and from “Thank you, M’am”.

Counterclaim: While critics may argue\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Provide the information you have for the counterargument. Facts, examples, and statistics. Use the article “Juvenile Justice” and from “Thank you, M’am”. However, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (Your argument disproving the counterclaim)

In conclusion, Roger should \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(restate your thesis in a different way). (Leave your reader with a point to ponder) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.