

Example 1

Essay 2: Draft 2

The film "The Naked Screen" from the director Jaugey is a very interesting film. In this film there are three families that are involved in a bad situation. The first family includes Octavio, his mother Leonorda, and his younger brother. The second family includes Alex, his father Don Alejandro, and his mother. Lastly the third family includes Esperanza and her mother. In the film Octavio is friends with Alex and, Alex is dating Esperanza. Octavio is jealous of Alex's lifestyle in the film, and does something bad to him and Esperanza. Alex and Esperanza are in an intimate relationship and while they are having sex Alex films it. Later, Alex takes Octavio to play pool and there Octavio steals Alex's phone. Because Octavio resents Alex, he uploads the video online to sabotage his life. This video then blows up leading to Esperanza being devastated, harassed, and bullied. Esperanza and her mother then see that it is better for them to just leave the town because of the events happening after the video was uploaded. In "The Naked Screen," Jaugey creates Octavio who showcases resentment which then, becomes very significant because it causes him to upload a video of Alex which he resents. There are many reasons why I believe this is a theme.

First off, there are many different families and each one has a very different lifestyle. The first one is Octavio's, he lives with one younger brother, and his mother Leonora. The truth about his father is not told in the film, but Octavio says that his father died from sickness when he was a child. They are a lower class family because of the area in which they live, it is really cramped together and a very small home. You can also tell that he is in a lower class family because of his mother's job she is a seamstress, and the food they eat which is beans and rice mostly. Octavio goes to the University in his town, and is on a scholarship which allows him to be there. Then there is Esperanza, who is also a part of a single-parent household. It is also not said what has happened to her mother in the film. Esperanza and her mother are middle class, you can tell this because they live in a decent home in a decent area. But, she is also on a scholarship which allows her to go to the University in her town. Lastly, there is Alex who lives in a nuclear family, which means that he lives with both his father and mother. Alex's family is an upper class family, which is why he is not attending the University on a scholarship. His father has paid for him to go to the university. With this info we see how the economic structures contribute to the theme of resentment.

Example 2

The Darkness Within Octavio

As one goes through life they tend to become jealous of other people who generally are considered better off in society. In the film *La Pantalla Desnuda* by Florence Jaugey, it tells a story of how Octavio becomes jealous of Alex. Alex is from a nuclear family, which is a wealthy family that consists of a mother and a father, he also goes to college with his girlfriend, Esperanza. Esperanza is from the middle class, living with only her mother in a small house and going to school on a scholarship. Octavio is from a poor family, going to school on a scholarship and living with only his mother and younger brother. Octavio is Alex's friend, until we see that Octavio becomes jealous of the way Alex lives and acts, which changes Octavio's entire attitude towards Alex. Octavio behaves this way because he compares his own life and status to Alex's. Their socioeconomic status has everything to do with why Octavio feels threatened by Alex. Octavio is from a lower status than Alex which indicates that Alex is the "Alpha" between the two of them. Octavio knows that Alex will always be the alpha because of where he stands in society. In addition, Octavio lies constantly to Alex and his family so they do not suspect him of the crime that he has committed, and also so they perceive him as if he was a part of the

higher class. Therefore, Octavio's jealousy is seen through certain scenes and actions throughout the film, such as the pool hall scene, taking Alex's phone, messing up Alex's and Esperanza's life and relationship, the lies he uses to make himself look better, and why the scenes that take place in his room feel and look ominous.

Playing games can bring out the competitive side in people, especially when money is at stake. Alex, Octavio and two other friends were all playing pool together. As soon as Alex walks in immediately you see how he becomes the "Alpha." "Hey, where were you?" Octavio asked. "Never you mind," Alex snapped back. In the film you can hear the tone in Alex's voice how he made it feel like Octavio should have never asked in the first place. Alex and Octavio were on one team and the other two were on another team, both playing against each other for rounds of beer. Octavio gets mad at Alex for being on his phone with Esperanza because they were losing and Octavio did not have money to pay for the rounds "Shit, man, you blew it. Put that damn phone away. We lost 'cause of you. You shoot pool worse than you hunt." Octavio exclaimed. Alex then puts down his phone and challenges Octavio to a one on one game to show Octavio that he is the better man, because he wanted to show Octavio that even though he does not like hunting he is still a manly man. This is when Octavio felt rage and began to feel jealousy towards Alex, because Octavio feels as though he will never be as high as Alex in society. Alex won the pool game, resulting in Octavio having to pay for the drinks, but Octavio did not have the money to do so, so one of the other guys paid for it until Octavio could pay him back "I'll cover you for now. Pay me back tomorrow, and remember, a game debt is a debts of honor". Alex then proceeded to raise his glass to Octavio, stared him directly in the eyes and smirked, as a way to confirm that he will always be better than Octavio. Octavio felt like he was emasculated, because this signified the socioeconomic difference between the two. It made Octavio jealous that Alex had this characteristic that he wanted so badly, so he felt the need to take something from Alex to bring him down, like a bully would. Octavio stole Alex's phone as a way to get back at Alex for making him feel shameful in front of the other men. The phone was meant to signify Esperanza in a way, which was Alex's way of contacting Esperanza, therefore the phone symbolizes Esperanza. Octavio knew that Esperanza was Alex's main source of happiness, therefore making the connection that if he hurt her that would directly get back to Alex. Octavio wanted to take something away from Alex because Octavio feel better about himself. Octavio's jealousy is seen throughout this scene by the way Octavio looks at Alex after Alex wins the game, he gives him dirty looks and acts as if everything is okay.