Your answers must be typed, double-spaced and the prompt you have chosen MUST be typed before your answer.

1. Choose three topic sentences from the choices below. On a separate paper, write a well-organized paragraph for each, including supportive evidence from the novel. (Quotes would be more than great here). Remember a solid paragraph is 5-6 sentences.
   - A. Jim Burden is much more than merely the narrator of Antonia's story.
   - B. A major theme of *My Antonia* is a nostalgic longing for an older, simpler America.
   - C. The "old line" citizens of Black Hawk felt superior to the newly-arrived immigrants.
   - D. In the end, Antonia is (a) more or (b) less successful than Jim. (Choose and support one answer.)
   - E. Jim represents thought, while Antonia stands for emotion.
   - F. Evidence (a) exists or (b) does not exist that Jim was in love with Antonia. (Choose and support one answer)

2. Some critics feel that the land is as important as the characters in *My Antonia*. Write a paragraph explaining whether you agree or disagree and why.

3. Find the following quotes in the novel. After reading them in context, discuss each of the quotes in terms of their relation to the novel's themes.

   "We were standing outside talking, when they all came running up the steps together, big and little, tow heads and gold heads and brown, and flashing little naked legs; a veritable explosion of life out of the dark cave into the sunlight."

   "Optima dies. . prima fugit."