Writing an Argument Based on "Learning to Read" by Malcolm X

Scale A: Based on his account of learning to read, Malcolm X would most likely argue that resilience is primarily a product of



Scale B: Malcolm X implies that the ability to overcome setbacks can be found in



Writing Portfolio

Rank the following factors according to how significantly you think they contributed to Malcolm X's ability to overcome the setbacks he faced in his life prior to and during his time in prison. Place a "1" next to the most significant factor.

 His relationship with Elijah Muhammad
His skill as a hustler
 Copying pages from the dictionary
 Participating in weekly debates
Learning about the world from books

Now, write a short argumentative paragraph in which you explain and justify your rankings.

The most significant factor that contributed to N	Nalcolm X's resilience was	
Another significant factor	or was	
and	, on the other hand, were	÷
not as significant. As I see it, there is evidence to	o suggest that the most	
important factors that contribute to resilience ar	e ar	ıd
For instance, [here you r	need to provide evidence to	2
support your first factor]. This shows that [now, p	orovide a warrant to show	
how your evidence connects to your understand	ling of resilience]. Another	
kind of evidence worth considering is [here you	need to provide a second,	
different kind of evidence to support your secon	nd factor]. This shows that	
[now, provide a warrant to show how your evide	nce connects to your	
understanding of resilience].		

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