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## Assignment

Use multiple resources (e.g., books, pamphlets, interviews, Internet) to find out more about rabies. Using this information, create a pamphlet or warning poster as a public service for Maycomb County. Be sure the final product includes images and text that are straightforward—remember, not everyone during this time period was fully literate, so your message must be clear to anyone.

## BE SURE TO:

1. Include a picture of Tim Johnson.
2. Make sure to let the community know that he has/had rabies and to beware of similar animals.
3. Tell your audience how animals contract rabies.
4. Tell AND show your audience what the symptoms of rabies are and how they can be treated.
5. Communicate how the contraction of rabies can be prevented.
6. CITE YOUR SOURCES USING MLA FORMAT!!



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