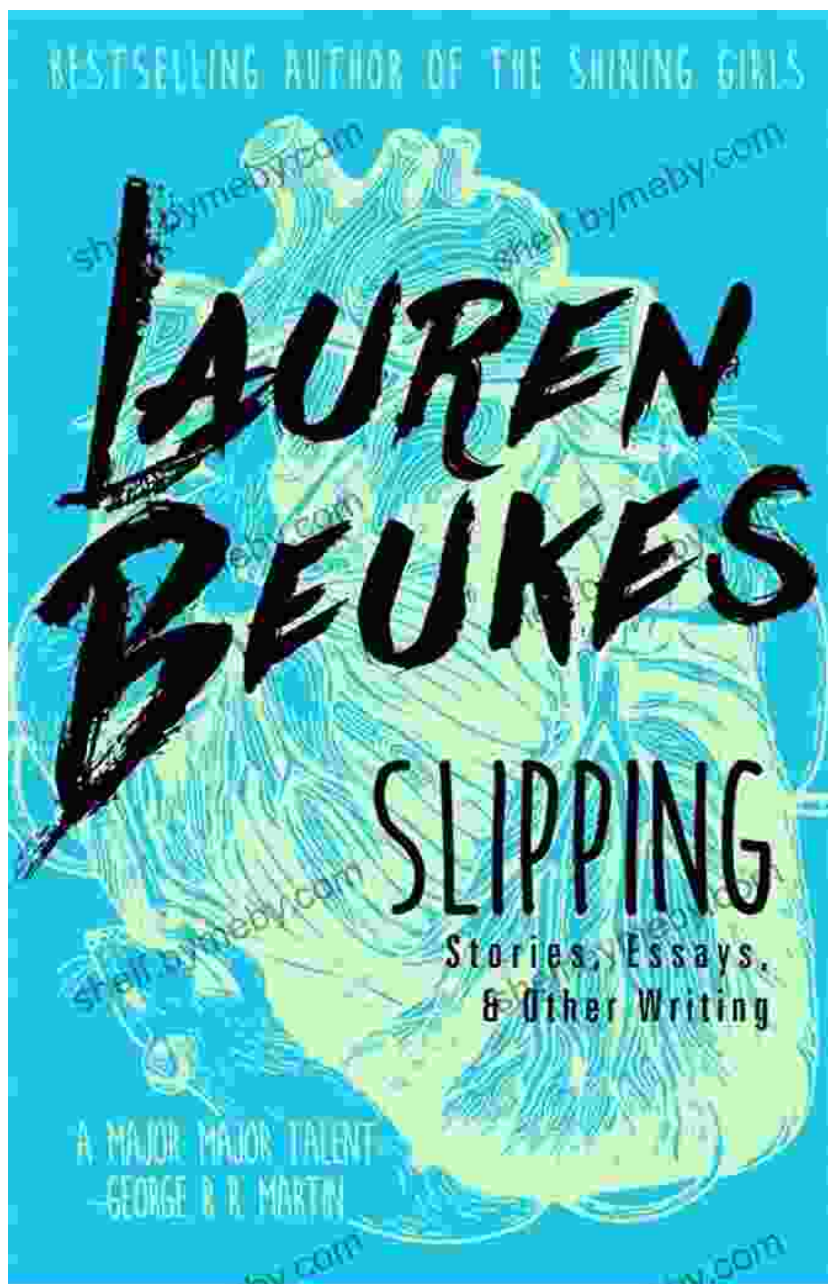


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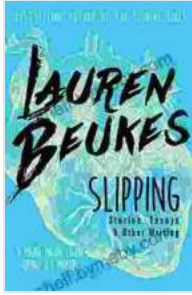
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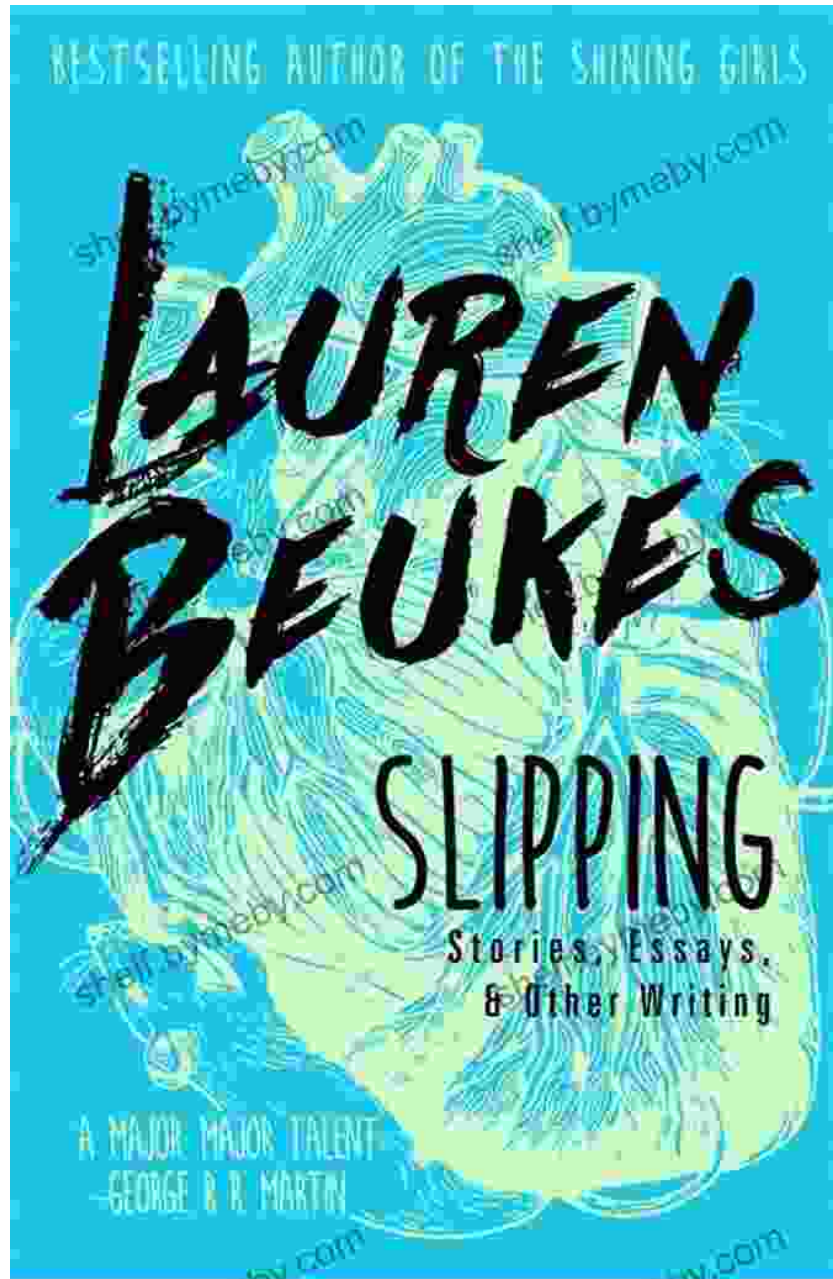
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## Short Story Comparison Essay

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After reading both "The Scarlet Ibis" by James Hurst and "Raymond's Run" by Toni Cade Bambara, there are some resemblances and differences that stood out. Both stories consist of handicapped siblings. Likewise, both stories consist of characters that act out of pride. The stories have various settings and have characters with various motives. The primary lesson of this essay is not to let pride take control of your character. There are a couple of similarities the 2 stories share. Firstly, both stories involve a character with impairments. In "The Scarlet Ibis" Doodle's disabilities are explained: "The doctor said he mustn't get too fired up, too hot, too cold, or too exhausted and that he needs to constantly be treated gently. A long list of don'ts chose him..." In "Raymond's Run" Squaky describes Raymond, "But as any fool can see he's much bigger and he's slower too. But a great deal of people call him my little bro cause he needs calling for cause he's not quite right." These 2 quotes show a similarity in the two stories by detailing the impairments with each character, Doodle and Raymond. Another similarity the two stories share relates to pride. In both stories, the main character's actions are stemmed from pride. In "Raymond's Run" Squaky describes, "There is no track meet that I do not win the top state medal... The huge kids call me mercury cause I'm the wildest thing in the neighborhood... In the very first race nobody can beat me which is all thanks to it." In "The Scarlet Ibis" the narrator describes, "When Doodle was 5 years old, I was brought to the home care of that age with could not walk, say a word, or touch him... I did not understand then that pride is a wonderful, dreadful thing, a word that takes 2 lives, life and death." These 2 stories reveal us a similarity because they explain how both characters act and feel they way they do due to the fact that of pride. As you can see, there are some resemblances the two stories share. In addition to similarities, the stories are also different. First, the settings are different and have different affects on the stories. In "The Scarlet Ibis", the setting is more country-like: "...Someone to peck with at the top fork of the great pine behind the barn where across the fields and swamps where you can see the sea." In contrast, "Raymond's Run" has a setting in the city: "I'm standing on the corner admiring the weather and about to take a stroll down Broadway so I can practice my breathing exercises, and I've got Raymond walking on the inside close to the buildings..." These two quotes show a difference in the stories by explaining how different the settings are. Since there are different settings, each setting has its own tone and affects the way we feel about the stories and pride. Next, there is a difference in the way the two stories represent pride. In "Raymond's Run" Squaky is often kind to Raymond, and helps him for his...

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### Examples of narrative essays

#### The Rescue

Everything had been nearly different that Sunday morning, when the two boys had set out on their walk up the cool, pine-scented mountainside near the village where they lived. Near the top, Peter and Michael had climbed onto a rocky outcrop with the view of the valley far below them.

That was when disaster had struck. On clambering down, Peter had tripped awkwardly to the ground, his leg bent at a painful angle beneath him. Unable to move, he was forced to wait where he was, wrapped in Michael's jacket, while Michael had begun the long trek down the mountainside to fetch help.

Michael looked down on the mountainside from the window of the helicopter. He felt increasingly helpless, as it looked totally different from the air and the network of tiny paths was mostly obscured from view by the thick covering of pine trees. To make matters worse, the light was fading fast and a thick blanket of mist was starting to form. Eventually the pilot and the three mountain rescue workers in the helicopter agreed that they would have to go back and continue the search for Michael's friend, Peter, on foot.

By seven o'clock that evening, they had left the helicopter at the village and gathered a mountain rescue team of fifteen men. Michael felt disheartened and scared for his friend's safety. Slowly they ascended the mountain, searching the numerous paths for Peter. The only sounds were crackling footsteps and the crackle of static on the walkie-talkies that the rescue workers carried to talk to each other. The mountainside was an eerie place after twilight and gradually Michael started to wonder whether they would ever find Peter at all.

Suddenly Michael heard a voice come over one of the walkie-talkies. "We've got him. We're taking him down." "I'm sorry," said Michael to his friend later in the warm safety of the hospital room. "I didn't realise it would take so long."

The doctors decided to keep Peter at the hospital for the night in case of complications with his leg before leaving. Michael looked down at his friend and patted his shoulder as, silently, they both vowed never to go walking in the mountains again.

#### What's too much is the thief

I don't know I shouldn't have gone out that Friday afternoon. I'd had a strange feeling all morning, a feeling that something was going to happen, but I told myself, "Don't be afraid, kid, you and your funny feelings! Pull yourself together and go and get the groceries." So I did, and you'll see what happened!

You know how someone feels when he is about to pay for his grocery shopping and finds his wallet is almost empty. Mumbling a poor excuse I headed for the bank, not prepared at all for what I was about to experience there.

I was waiting patiently in the queue when suddenly two men pulling black masks over their heads, rushed through the front door and began shouting and waving guns in the air. "This is a robbery," yelled one of the masked men. "Do as we say and no one will get hurt!" The other bank robber leaped to me in a corner of the room and ordered me to lie face-down on the floor.

I was terrified. My whole body froze in fear. Someone helped me down to the ground where all the other customers were huddled together, hardly even daring to breathe in case the men decided to carry out their threat and start shooting.

The cashiers were remarkably calm but I suppose their training had prepared them for such a situation. They busily emptied the contents of their tills into a bag the robbers had pushed over the counter to them. I kept expecting to hear the scuffling of sirens as the police hurried to rescue us, but there was only an unbearable silence.

Almost as suddenly as they had entered, the masked raiders grabbed their bag and left the building, jumping into a large getaway car. A quarter of eight, the police arrived. Several officers took off in their cars to see if they could catch the criminals, while others tried to calm us down enough so that they could take accurate statements.

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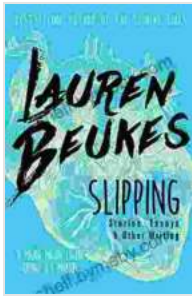
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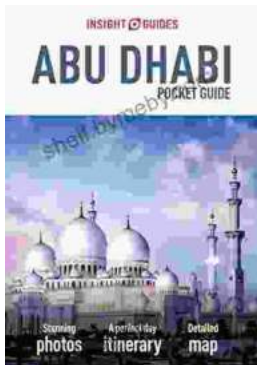
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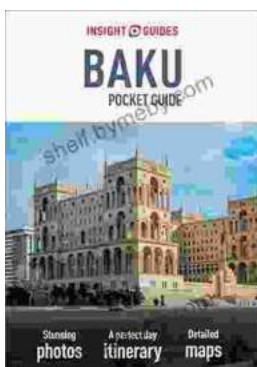
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