Structure Map

“As It Was in the Beginning.” NBE3U, Writing Back, Lesson 5

Name: _____ Date: _____

Part of the story	What happens	What it adds to the story's meaning
The opening lines		
Childhood and the “Blackcoat”		
The mission school		
Laurence		
The overheard conversation		
The act		
The closing lines		

The title comes from a Christian prayer: “as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.” What is ironic about it?

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Frame Paragraph Planner

Structure and voice. NBE3U, Writing Back, Lesson 5

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Question: How does the story's frame (its opening and closing) shape what it means, and who controls the story?

Claim	
Evidence 1 (opening)	
Evidence 2 (closing)	
What changed between them	
Why it matters (narrative control)	

Draft your opening sentence:

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