

Sequence: Importance	Point of View: 3	Tense: Present
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EXAMPLE TOWER DIAGRAM Counterarguments Version 1

Lesson 4

INTRODUCTION

Introductory Option:

Setting the scene

Introducing the characters

CLAIM:
Friar Lawrence—Guilty!

Introductory Details:

③ Two families feuding

④ Friar Lawrence-town priest

② Verona, Italy

① Elizabethan times

REASON

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COUNTERARGUMENTS

A	Provides Poison	sequence Linking	C	Performs Secret Marriage Ceremony	sequence Linking	B	Agrees to be Message Carrier	sequence Linking	D	Other Guilty parties
2	Juliet wants to fake death		2	Romeo & Juliet meet secretly		1	Romeo banished		2	Tybolt
1	Juliet wants to run away		4	Ask F.L. to marry in secret		2	Keeps marriage secret		1	Their parents
4	Romeo kills himself		3	Juliet to marry Paris		3	Fails to deliver in time			
3	Romeo thinks she is dead		1	Against church laws		4	Poor decisions made			
5	Juliet kills herself		5	Juliet too young						

Concluding Option:

Counselor role

Concluding Details:

① Has to keep marriage secret

③ Gives Juliet poison

② Fails to take messages quickly

④ Fails as counselor

THESIS STATEMENT DRAFT:

Unfortunately, his counsel and actions in several scenes of the play lead to Romeo & Juliet's deaths.