**The Scarlett Ibis**

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**Instructions**: Answer the following questions in full sentences, taking care to use the correct capitalisation, punctuation, spelling, and grammar. The number of marks each question is out of indicates how many main ideas or points you need to include in your answer. For example, question #2 is out of 3; therefore, your answer needs 3 different points in your answer that explain why you think that way; remember, this does not mean you only need 3 sentences in your answer. You **must** include evidence from the text, and you **must** answer each part of the question!

**Part A**

1. Identify the different plot elements by providing a direct quotation from the text (7):

**Exposition**:

**Rising action** (at least two):

**Climax**:

**Falling action** (at least two):

**Resolution**:

1. How does Doodle earn his nickname? (1)
2. In what ways is Doodle a burden? How does the narrator (the Brother) feel about this? (3)
3. As Doodle gets older, in what ways is the narrator mean to him? (3)
4. Who teaches Doodle to walk? Why does he teach him? (3)

**Part B**

1. After Doodle learns to walk, what does his brother decide to do? How is Doodle’s progress? (3)
2. What does the family see as they finish eating? (1)
3. What is Doodle’s reaction to the bird’s death? What is his family’s reaction to the bird’s death? Why is Doodle’s reaction to the bird’s death different from that of the rest of the family? (3)
4. What does Doodle do for the bird? (2)
5. Why do you think Doodle died? What happened? (2)

**Part C**

1. Do Brother’s feelings toward Doodle change over time? How do you know? (3)
2. Looking at the lines below, answer the following: What does the comment in the parentheses mean? Why do you think the author included them? (2)  
     
   “*There is within me (and with sadness I have watched it in others) a knot of cruelty borne by the stream of love, much as our blood sometimes bears the seed of our destruction, and at times I was mean to Doodle”*
3. Who is most accepting of Doodle in the story? Explain your choice. Did this person start off accepting Doodle, or come to accept him over time? (3)
4. What are some examples of foreshadowing in the text? What purpose do they serve? (4)
5. Is the narrator, Brother, selfish? Why or why not? (3)

**Part D**

What is the theme of this story? Remember, there can be more than one answer. Provide your theme statement and 3 pieces of evidence of support. (4)

Is the narrator guilty for Doodle’s death? Provide evidence for both sides of the case. (6)