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# Making a Difference

The writing prompt on page 9 says:

**How does this story show that one person can make a difference, even in the face of overwhelming obstacles? Answer this question in a well-organized essay. Use text evidence.**

Follow the directions below to help you organize the ideas and details you will use in your response.

## How did Hurricane Maria affect the island of Puerto Rico?

1. List details from "Island of Sorrow" that show the destruction that Hurricane Maria caused in Puerto Rico. We provided one detail for you.

- The storm's violent winds tore off roofs, shattered windows, and collapsed entire buildings (5-7).

## What special challenges does Puerto Rico face in its recovery?

2. List details from the article that show the obstacles Puerto Rico faces as it attempts to rebuild and to recover from Hurricane Maria. We provided one detail for you.

- Puerto Rico has high levels of unemployment and poverty (7), making the expensive process of repairing and replacing what was damaged and destroyed particularly difficult.

### **How did Salvador respond to the obstacles facing Puerto Rico?**

3. List details from the article that show how the obstacles Puerto Rico faced made Salvador feel and how he responded.

### **What happened as a result of Salvador's actions?**

4. List details from the article that show how Salvador's actions made a difference in the lives of Puerto Ricans.