



Writing Prompts for

*Parachutes*

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Please write a short piece on one or more of the following topics:

1. Claire and Dani are from two very different worlds. How have each of their backgrounds shaped who they are?
2. Throughout the story, Dani uses her debate skills to speak her mind and bring justice to her and her friends. However, people around her don't believe her or gaslight her. Have you ever been in a situation where you've been chastised for speaking your truth?
3. How do Claire and Dani strive to achieve independence for themselves, and in what ways?
4. Write a strongly worded letter to Headmistress Mrs. Mandalay as if you were defending Claire or Dani. What are some key points you would make in their defense?