

**Third body paragraph sample for “tandem” pattern:**

Both Beneatha and Curley’s wife wanted something more in life. Beneatha wanted to achieve this through education in a time when women wanted to prove they could make their way in the world. She worked hard to prove she was just as smart and able as men; and then some. Curley’s wife made no such attempts for her dreams. She expected them to come to her because she was beautiful and because a man told her he would help her. Both were also somewhat indecisive and hard to please. As Ruth and Mama poked fun at Beneatha for trying out so many different hobbies, she stated, “I don’t flit! I- I experiment with different forms of expression-” (30). She could not be happy trying one hobby, she had to try them all. Curley’s wife was very unhappy in the situation she put herself into. She even said when talking about her husband, “I don’t *like* Curley. He ain’t a nice fella.” (89) Despite it being her decision to marry Curley, she could never really be happy with it or pull herself out.