

*ANALYSIS OF A MURDER
"LAMB TO THE SLAUGHTER"*

RECORD IN THE SPACE BELOW THE FACTS/EVENTS LEADING UP TO THE CRIME. (Include the motivations, reasons, effects of these events and actions)

CRIME COMMITTED: _____

RECORD IN THE SPACE BELOW THE FACTS/EVENTS INVOLVED IN THE COVER UP OF THE CRIME. Include the motivations, reasons, effects of these events and actions.

CONCLUSION: We know that Mary Maloney did kill her husband. We are going to assume that the police eventually charged her.

NOTES: First-degree murder is premeditated (thought out and planned). Second-degree murder is not premeditated but there is still intent and lethal action on the part of the killer. Manslaughter occurs when death is a result of an accident where there is no intent to kill. Not guilty by reason of insanity means that although a person committed the crime, he/she was not able to distinguish right from wrong at the time because of insanity and therefore can be found not guilty.

Take the point of view of the prosecuting attorney, defence attorney, jury member or yourself (a courtroom observer). Write an argument paragraph in which you discuss what charge Mary Maloney should face and what her sentence should be. Be sure to support your argument with very specific facts and examples from the story. You must have at least examples based on quotations from the text to support your argument concerning the charge and you must thoroughly explain the reasons for the verdict you propose. Be sure to use good paragraph structure and double space your paragraph.