I am not Esther

Imagine that your mother told you that you had to leave everything behind to go and live with relatives that you never knew you had and then you find out that they are believers of a cult that has no television, mirrors, or any connection with the outside world and they changed your name to Esther. But even though Kirby had to leave her friends and every one she knows behind she was still determined and sensible and caring.

Kirby is determined because she never gave up trying to get her mother’s things. Even though she knew that she might get caught and sent to the discipline room she still stayed up and waited for everyone to fall asleep, so that she could sneak out and get her mother’s things. She knew that she would have to stay awake and she knew what would happen if she got caught but she did what she had do to get her mother’s things because she was determined. Just like the people from the heaven’s gate cult they were determined to get out they also knew the risk of what they were about to do but they still did it and they got out and were able to stop others from joining that cult.

Kirby was sensible because she had to look after the bills and the money she had to help her. And then after all that she had to look after Maggie the youngest of the children, Kirby showed determination and sensibility while looking after Maggie and the twins, making sure that they did their chores and she did what she thought was right by her she knew that they didn’t like how she did them but she got the chores done.

Kirby is caring because she comforts Maggie when she is crying Kirby hugs her and keeps her happy and smiling, this is shown when Maggie saw Mariam and started to cry Kirby hugged Maggie and helped her to stop crying Kirby has a caring heart which is the best quality a person can have. Some of the people I the heaven’s gate cult were caring by looking after each other and making sure that everyone is ok and the people who got out they were caring by stopping others from joining.

The thing that I am trying to say is that it is good to be determined and sensible but those are nothing if you are not caring because if you are caring you are the best you can be, and if you are sensible you are the one that people ask to do things for them and being determined means that you will keep trying and trying until you get it right so what I am trying to say is be you don’t try to be someone you’re not because you are unique and no one can be you so love who you are and don’t let anyone try to change that because they can’t make you change.

**Hi R\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_,**

**A very creative introduction, but I’d join the 1st and 2nd paragraphs.**

**Similarly, you could join the 3rd and 4th paragraphs. Remember that a paragraph is a group of ideas.**

**You could enhance your essay writing style by adding direct quotes from the text to show how well you know it.**

**Heaven’s Gate is the cult name and therefore should have capital letters.**

**Try not to use phrases like “the thing I am trying to say” – you can still say what you want to say without using this phrase at the start. Eg. Kirby’s determination and sensibility is exemplary and inspirational. It shows that positive things can happen when people try to be the best they can be and care for others.**

**A good essay and worthy of the Merit grade. ☺**