Is Survival Selfish or Heroic?

Prompt: In the article “Is Survival Selfish,” Wallace says that survival is often instinctual (people act without thinking). However, in “The Sniper” and “The Most Dangerous Game,” both protagonists have to hurt others in order to survive. Please write a four -paragraph essay to answer the question: is survival selfish or heroic? In your essay, please use four pieces of evidence. Make sure to cite your evidence correctly.

Brainstorm:

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| Selfish | Heroic |
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Answer the essential question (include two reasons): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Requirements:

* Essay must be typed in MLA format.
* Use Google Docs.
* Essay must have a title.
* You must have four paragraphs: an introduction, two body paragraphs, and a conclusion.
* You must include four direct quotes in your body paragraphs (two in each).
* You must use at least one quote from “The Sniper” and one from “The Most Dangerous Game.”

First draft due (TYPED AND PRINTED): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Final Draft due (turnitin.com): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Format:

Introduction:

* Hook
* Background information about the prompt: whether or not survival is selfish or heroic. Try to aim for 3- 4 sentences.
* Thesis

Body Paragraphs:

* Topic Sentence (State your reason why it is heroic or selfish)
* Evidence and Commentary
* I- Introduce Quote
* C- Cite Quote
* E- Explain Quote
* Evidence and Commentary
* Introduce Quote
* C- Cite Quote
* E- Explain Quote
* Concluding Sentence (Try: Therefore, …)

Conclusion:

* Restate thesis
* Sum up main ideas
* Answer: What does this matter? Universal Idea? What can we learn from this?

Outline:

**Introduction**

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| Thesis: |

**Body Paragraph 1**

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| State first reason: |
| 1st piece of Evidence:  Title and author:  Quote:  Cite: |
| 2nd piece of Evidence:  Title and author:  Quote:  Cite: |

**Body Paragraph 2**

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| State first reason: |
| 1st piece of Evidence:  Title and author:  Quote:  Cite: |
| 2nd piece of Evidence:  Title and author:  Quote:  Cite: |