

In a letter to her son Abigale Adams encourages him to learn and grow from his journey. Her letter advises her son, John Quincey Adams, To make the most of his trip as evidenced by her authoritative tone as well as contrasting experience to inexperience. Adams establishes her authority through tone to encourage her son to take her advice seriously and grow from his journey. First, Adams builds her credibility by utilizing in others beyond traveling and the opinion of an author she has met with, a traveler in proves as they flow further from the source. This author validates Adams opinion that traveling is in her sons best interest thus making her more credible. (I realized there I need to add a better link between the authors opinion makes Adams more credible and how that affects her son) Her son can now view Adams as an authoritative source. Adams later utilizes a motherly tone with John Quincey Adams to further harness the power of her authority. Adjusting her watchful eye over her son Adams identifies herself as a tender parent. Adams maternal tone in this instance continues throughout her letter implying that as a parent she is looking out for his best interests. From this perspective Adams can be viewed with more authority over her son by offering him valuable advice. (I guess I need to add how as a parent what kind of valuable advice she is offering him and how it gives her authority over him) (I can add a better conclusion to that paragraph after I add more evidence) To encourage John Quincey Adams to value the experience of his journey, Abigale Adams contrasts the benefits of the experience to the lack of their inexperience. Adams first implores a metaphor to present qualities that are gained through experience stating wisdom and penetration are the fruit of experience by illustrating what can be gained from experience Adams is encouraging her son to reap those benefits. This listing of Adams is later finished with not the lessons of retirement and leisure. (I feel like I need to make that more clear by maybe combining that quote with my analysis so that I can clearly contrast what benefits he can gain compared to what he wouldn't be able to) Adams is aiming to discredit experience of any beneficial qualities that experience may provide, the contrast of inexperience to the lessons learned by experience is further amplified when Adams states that qualities such as heroism that would stay undisturbed are woken by experience (Lines 37-41). Adams view of the benefits of the journey criticizes the idea of not experiencing it to its fullest ultimately implying that experiencing his journey will result in getting the most benefits. (That was kind of wordy) Adams is encouraging her son to make the most of his trip. Overall Adams encouraged her son in a letter to him to grow from his journey and her advice through the use of an authoritative tone and contrasting the benefits of experience, inexperience, and competency in this area. (Overall I feel like I just need to make my analysis more directly linked back to the purpose of Adams essay as well as make some parts more clear by combining sentences and making wording more clear)