Naturalistic Perspectives in

“The Open Boat”

* “Nature, to be commanded, must be obeyed.” (Sir Francis Bacon)
* “At no time and in no place, will nature ever ask your permission.” (Fyodor Dostoyevsky)
* “Man and nature have such different views about the good of the world.” (George Gissing)
* “In nature there are neither rewards nor punishments – there are consequences.” (R. G. Ingersoll)
* “Shallow men believe in luck or in circumstance. Strong men believe in cause and effect.” (Ralph Waldo Emerson)
* "Whether man is disposed to yield to nature or to oppose her, he cannot do without a correct understanding of her language." (Jean Rostand)
* “To shine, and to hell with everyone else!
That is my motto­-and the Sun's!” (Vladimir Mayakovsky)

Your task is to:

1. Choose the quote above that you feel is most closely connected to the Naturalist theme in Crane’s “The Open Boat.”
2. Summarize/explain what the author means by that quote.
3. Using the notes taken as you read the story, support your choice with at least eight quotes AND insights/inferences taken from the text of “The Open Boat.”
4. Present your information either in neatly written, mechanically correct, well-organized paragraphs OR in a visually pleasing small poster, including an image related to Naturalism and the story.