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- 2.) Find the three asterisks (***) at the end of one of the paragraphs, about $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way down the page.
- 3.) Re-read the sentence just prior to the asterisks.
- 4.) Pretend like everything after the asterisks was never written.
- 5.) Continue the story right where the asterisks left off. For this part of the task, you get to decide what happens when the man opens the door on the right.
- 6.) Write the end of the story using the same point of view, tone, and writing style that the original author used. Make it “match” the tone in such a way that your ending sounds like it was the original ending. For example, you would not change the point of view to first person since the rest of the story was told in third person. In addition, you would also not use any modern slang, or vocabulary that would not seem appropriate for the setting of the original story.
- 7.) Your story ending must be typed and printed prior to class on the due date. You are given multiple days to type and print, so you will not be allowed to go print during class on the day it is due. Your ending will be considered late if it is not printed on the due date.
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