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The Day the President was Shot – BODY PARAGRAPH EXAMPLE

In the article, *The Day the President was Shot*, by Justin O’Neill and the poem, *John Fitzgerald Kennedy* by John Masefield (COMPLETE CLAIM / INTRODUCTION)

One way the public reacted was with strong feelings of grief and empathy. **As stated in the text**, “After a service on Sunday, more than 250,000 came to pay their respects,” **This demonstrates** the level of mourning that was taking place in America **because** so many were willing to take the time to come to a visitation for a man they did not know personally but admired and loved deeply. **In addition,** to attending the visitation, shops were closed and so that the public could take time in their day to mourn the passing of what most believed was a great leader. **Another example of the public’s reaction of anguish** can be read in the poem, *John Fitz Gerald*, by John Masefield. As stated in the poem, " All generous hearts lament the leader killed, the young chief with the smile, the radiant face,” The mood of the poem and beginning line is one of grief and despair. This serves to further represent the spirits felt by so many Americans at the sudden passing of their President.