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First, I will explain the differences in motivation regarding Paul Scallen and Dan Evans. In the story, for instance, Paul Scallen is a deputy marshal who has the task of getting the outlaw, Jim Kidd, to the prison train to Yuma. Scallen is paid for the work, but he isn't compensated an extraordinary amount. And, at one point, it is clear that all of the other deputies are attempting to round up Kidd's gang, so this leaves Scallen to escort Kidd to the train. Even though Scallen is a lawman, there are times when the reader finds out he is afraid. He has a wife and three children and wants to be able to get back home to them. He notes his fear when he recognizes Jim Kidd's posse leader waiting across the street from the hotel where Scallen is holding Kidd while they wait for the train. (Maybe more...some quotes or partial quotes are okay...) **Scallen's motivation also has to do with his sense of what is right for society. To allow Jim Kidd to go free would put many people in grave danger... Scallen knows it is his job to protect others from Kidd by making sure he goes to prison in Yuma...**

However, Dan Evans's motivation in the film is different from Scallen's. Evans is a rancher, not a lawman, who finds himself in a position to help escort Ben Wade (the outlaw) to the prison train. He demands money for this because he needs to pay off his ranch. His cattle are all he has and his young son, Mark, is ill and needs to stay in a dry climate. Evans thinks taking Wade to the train and collecting the money is going to help him and his family. He's also a sharpshooter,

having fought in the Civil War. He's confident in his abilities and seems sure he will deliver Wade to the train and get the money. Another motivation is that Evans wants to prove himself to his older son, William... William thinks.... In order to have William think better of him, Evans puts his life at risk... **Add more, including your analysis...**