

Core B Research Essay Grading Rubric

Student Name: _____

<p>Introduction (15 pts)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum 5 sentences <input type="checkbox"/> “Hook” (draws reader in without giving away topic) <input type="checkbox"/> Transitional sentences (bridge to your thesis) <input type="checkbox"/> Quality thesis statement- clearly relays an <u>arguable</u> point (final sentence)
<p>Conclusion (15 pts)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum 5 sentences <input type="checkbox"/> Revisits but does not directly repeat the thesis <input type="checkbox"/> Summarizes essay’s most significant points <input type="checkbox"/> Leaves reader with a final impression of your topic <input type="checkbox"/> Final clincher reflects opener
<p>Body Paragraphs (50 pts)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Clear</u> topic sentences which directly relate to thesis <input type="checkbox"/> Facts within paragraph directly relate to topic sentence <input type="checkbox"/> Transitions wording between evidences <input type="checkbox"/> At least two evidences in each body paragraph, <u>generalizations avoided!</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Clincher sentence <input type="checkbox"/> Transition between paragraphs
<p>Quotes/Evidence (30 pts)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> All sources listed on the Works Cited page are cited at least once <input type="checkbox"/> No block quotes or stand alone quotes. <input type="checkbox"/> Quotes are CLEARLY explained (NOT restated) <input type="checkbox"/> Quotes are chosen wisely. Common information quotes avoided.
<p>Sentence Structure/ Word Usage (20 pts.)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Variety of adjectives and adverbs, sentence openers <input type="checkbox"/> No contractions or 1st & 2nd person pronouns <input type="checkbox"/> Slang/idioms avoided <input type="checkbox"/> Awkward, vague, repetitive wording avoided
<p>Mechanics (20 pts)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> No blatant spelling or grammatical errors <input type="checkbox"/> MLA formatting <input type="checkbox"/> Works cited page included, proper MLA formatting
<p>Submission Details (Deductions taken from final score)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Note cards, outline, 1st rough draft, final draft, signed parent checklist submitted in a 2 pocket folder (3 point deduction for each missing element) <input type="checkbox"/> 4-6 pages (15 point deduction if < 4 FULL pages) <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted to Turnitin.com by class time on due date (20 pt deduction for late submission)

Tutor Comments:

Total Score:

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