

RUBRIC FOR EVIDENTIARY PARAGRAPHS

Date: _____ Name of writer: _____

Title of Writing: _____

Please write this assignment using the _____ person point of view.

	Fully Meeting	Meeting	Minimally Meeting	Not Yet Meeting
Format	Includes name, number, date, title, and is double-spaced and neatly written in ink. First line of each paragraph is indented.	Includes name, number, date, title and is neatly written in ink. First line is indented.	Includes name, number, date, title, and is legibly written.	Includes name and title. Is legibly written.
Topic Sentence	There is a clearly stated and focused topic sentence posed as either a question or a statement.	There is a topic sentence in form of a question or a statement.	There is an introductory sentence, but it does not state the topic.	Topic sentence refers to the writer or is missing.
Evidence	There are 3+ pieces of evidence, some of which incorporate direct quotations. Citations are provided.	There are 3 pieces of evidence from reputable sources of information.	There are 2 pieces of evidence from reputable sources of information.	There are fewer than two pieces of evidence or the evidence does not significantly relate to the topic sentence.
Explanations	All the evidence is explained so that a reader can easily see how it significantly supports the topic.	All of the evidence is clearly explained so that a reader can easily see how it supports the topic.	The explanations are confusing or do not clearly show how the evidence supports the topic, although a reader can easily infer the connection.	There is little explanation of the evidence; it is difficult to infer how the evidence relates to the topic.
Concluding Sentence	The concluding sentence smoothly restates the topic, includes some sense of emotion, and introduces no new information or ideas.	The concluding sentence restates the topic without introducing any new information or ideas.	The concluding sentence restates the topic.	Concluding sentence is missing.
Style	The writing has rhythm and includes carefully chosen vocabulary and figures of speech.	The writing has rhythm and includes carefully chosen vocabulary.	The writing includes some awareness of rhythm and vocabulary to enhance writing.	There is little evidence of attention to using rhythm, vocabulary and figures of speech to enhance writing.
Conventions	All spelling, grammar, punctuation and word spacing is accurate.	There are few errors in spelling, grammar, punctuation and word spacing.	There are some errors in spelling, grammar, punctuation and word spacing.	There are numerous errors in spelling, grammar, punctuation and word spacing.