

GRADE 10 - ESSAY SCORING RUBRIC

IDEA DEVELOPMENT

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THESIS/CENTRAL IDEA	
	Unclear, missing, or misplaced
	Requires a more pointed focus

Notes:

EVIDENCE		EXPRESSION OF IDEAS		ORGANIZATION	
	Generalized		Focused on subject rather than thesis/central idea.		Intro and/or conclusion inconsistent with claims
	Limited		Oversimplified/Misinterpreted/Incomplete		Unfocused paragraphs and/or unclear topic sentences
	Lacks context		Repetitive		Paragraphs not in logical order
	Not relevant to question		Tone/format not appropriate for audience		Unclear paragraph transitions

Notes:

STANDARD ENGLISH CONVENTIONS

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Please focus on avoiding these common grammatical errors

	Run-on sentences/Fragment Sentences
	Spelling/capitalization errors
	Inconsistent tenses (switching between past, present, and future tenses)
	Agreement issues (pronoun confusion, singular vs. plural, verb tense)
	Misplaced modifiers
	Passive voice
	Parallel structure errors
	Confusing syntax/words out of order/missing punctuation - missing commas to break up parts of sentences
	Incorrect quote integration (missing context, punctuation; misplaced quotation marks/citation)

Notes:

FINAL SCORE: _____/8

Low

High

8= 97-100

7=93-96

6=87-92

5=80-86

4=70-79

3=65-69

2=50-64

1<50