

Essay Rubric

Name _____

Essay Title _____

Period _____

Criteria	Points Possible				Points Earned
<u>Introduction Paragraph</u>					
Lead in story	1	2			
3 Main Points	1	2	3		
Thesis	1				/6
<u>Support Paragraph 1</u>					
Topic Sentence	1				
Rationale/Support	1	2	3	4	
<u>Support Paragraph 2</u>					
Topic Sentence	1				
Rationale/Support	1	2	3	4	
<u>Support Paragraph 3</u>					
Topic Sentence	1				
Rationale/Support	1	2	3	4	/15
<u>Closing Paragraph</u>					
Refer to lead-in story	1				
Ask to take action and/or think differently	1	2			
Topic Importance	1	2			/5
<u>Overall</u>					
Technical	1	2	3	4	/4
			TOTAL:		/30

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5 Paragraph Essay

Paragraph 1

- lead-in story (3-6 sentences)
- briefly, three main points (1 sentence)
- thesis statement (1 sentence)

Paragraph 2

- topic sentence of 1st main point with rationale and/or support

Paragraph 3

- topic sentence of 2nd main point with rationale and/or support

Paragraph 4

- topic sentence of 3rd main point with rationale and/or support

Paragraph 5

- refer back to lead-in story (1 sentence)
- ask reader to take action and/or think differently
- state why the writer's position/topic is important

5 Paragraph Essay Quiz

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Matching:

- ___ Lead in story
- ___ Reference to Lead in story
- ___ Asking reader to take action/think differently
- ___ Thesis sentence
- ___ Detailed info on 2nd main point
- ___ Detailed info on 3rd main point
- ___ 3 main points
- ___ Stating why topic is important
- ___ Detailed info on 1st main point

IP. Introduction Paragraph

BP. Body Paragraph

CP. Conclusion Paragraph

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