

	<b>D</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>A</b>
<b>Title</b>	None at all	it's not your own	rather broad for your topic	a winner!
<b>Thesis--</b>	is too broad for this paper, vague, or unclear  can't be found!	has potential but not a good fit for body points  is not effectively positioned states the obvious w/o much "so-what "	has potential but needs revision & polishing	is clear & appropriate in scope--good!
<b>Topic sentences--</b>	inadequate--do not control paragraph or relate to the thesis	often don't adequately predict & control the material in the paragraph	show some control of paragraph--could be sharpened	are consistently clear & effective
<b>Paragraphs--</b>	very weak in development and/or focus	often lack sufficient supporting detail & examples  focus is somewhat weak	need more explanation of ideas  need more textual references	are well-focused and developed with adequate reasoning and details and clear organization
<b>Coherence &amp; Unity</b>	organization is not apparent to the reader	some problems with unity & coherence	some coherence problems	good coherence throughout
<b>Transitions</b>	transitions absent	more transitional strategies needed		
<b>Introduction--</b>	is choppy & short--needs thought & development	is minimally functional	is adequate in setting up the topic & thesis	is lively, functional, & coherent  warmly invites the reader into the paper
<b>Conclusion--</b>	is inadequate--the essay deserves better!	is minimally functional & a bit dull	is adequate to close the paper	is intriguing & appropriate-- nice work!
<b>Content--</b>	does not show adequate preparation  serious textual misunderstandings	the poem is explicated but no new insights	is logical & complete but not profound	is exceptionally thorough, logical, and creative
<b>Style--</b>	excessively wordy, awkward, or vague	is sometimes awkward and/or choppy  is sometimes vague and/or wordy	is clear & functional	is crisp, fluent, & precise--excellent!
<b>Textual Citations</b>	there are none	quotations need framing  quotations are inaccurate	quotations sometimes clumsy	quotations embedded elegantly and accurately
<b>Grammar &amp; Mechanics--</b>	a spell-checker is needed here!  some serious sentence structure errors  frequent grammar errors are affecting your grade!  the frequency of error is not acceptable	assorted grammar problems  many pronoun problems	few serious errors--but edit carefully next time	virtually error-free--nice job!
<b>ESSAY GRADE:</b>				

