

CATEGORY	0	1	2	SCORE
Organization	Opening does not support the main idea or is not present	Opening supports the main idea of the paper	Opening effectively supports the main idea of the paper	
Supporting Evidence	Details are insufficient in quality to develop/support the main idea	Details are sufficient in quality to develop/support the main idea	Details provide overwhelming and substantive development/support of the main idea	
Structural Integrity	Transitional words, phrases and/or sentences are absent or inappropriate	Transitional words, phrases and/or sentences are present and appropriate	Transitional words, phrases and/or sentences are crafted for ease and smoothness of linking ideas	
Structural Integrity	Paragraphs lack unity, and/or are illogical	Paragraphs are logical and demonstrate unity	Paragraphs are effectively developed with a mastering of logic and unity	
Conclusion	Closing does not support the main idea or is not present	Closing adequately supports the main idea	Closing provides a dynamic and insightful ending	
Language Use	Word choice is inaccurate and/or inappropriate for academic audience	Word choice is accurate and/or appropriate for academic audience	Word choice indicates a skillful use of vocabulary and precision	
Sentences	Sentence construction is inappropriate and/or does not vary	Sentence construction is appropriate and varied	Sentence construction demonstrates skill and precision	
Grammar	A majority of sentences contain grammatical errors	A minority of sentences contain few grammatical errors	Sentences are grammatically correct	
Punctuation	A majority of sentences contain punctuation errors	A minority of sentences contain few punctuation errors	Sentences are punctually correct	