**Argumentative Essay Rubric**







**/2pts** Do you have a thesis/claim?

Write it here: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**/2pts** Does your intro have the author and title in the first sentence? Underline it in green? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**/2 pts** Did you explain the story in the first paragraph? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Underline it in orange.

**/1pt** Does your essay flow? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**/1pt.**  Did you write to your audience and not use personal pronouns? (I, me , we, us)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**/2pts.** Does your essay make sense? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**/2pts** Does your conclusion give a counterargument? “Some might argue …” Underline that in purple.

**/2pts**  Did you explain the rebuttal? However,….Underline that in blue.

**/1pt.** Did you read it aloud to an adult? \_\_\_\_\_\_

 **/1pt.** (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_



**/4pts.** Did you use a transition between new ideas?\_\_\_\_

List four transitions here and highlight them in yellow on your paper.

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**/5pts** Paragraph #2

Topic Sentence-underline in orange\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Underline evidence or quoted sentence # 1 in red .

Warrants? Did you explain how the evidence supports the claim? Underline this is in green.

Did you cite your source with (author’s last name and page number)? Underline this in yellow.

Concluding Sentence/Underline this in blue. \_\_\_\_\_

**/5pts** Paragraph #3

Topic Sentence-underline in orange\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Underline evidence or quoted sentence # 1 in red .

Warrants? Did you explain how the evidence supports the claim? Underline this is in green.

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Concluding Sentence/Underline this in blue. \_\_\_\_\_

**/5pts** Paragraph #4

Topic Sentence-underline in orange\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Underline evidence or quoted sentence # 1 in red .

Warrants? Did you explain how the evidence supports the claim? Underline this is in green.

Did you cite your source with (author’s last name and page number)? Underline this in yellow.

Concluding Sentence/Underline this in blue. \_\_\_\_\_

**/5pts** grammar/Spelling

**Total : /40 points**