

The Namesake Literary Analysis Essay Rubric

Below Target Areas for GROWTH	Target Standards for this Task	Above Target Evidence of Exceeding Standards
	STATEMENT OF PURPOSE/FOCUS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> ATTENTION TO TOPIC: Introduction effectively identifies a TOPIC <input type="checkbox"/> NECESSARY BACKGROUND builds necessary context to transition to THESIS. <input type="checkbox"/> TOPIC is clearly connected to a CLAIM/THESIS STATEMENT. <input type="checkbox"/> THESIS STATEMENT: The thesis statement is in the form of a declarative sentence that clearly, concisely, and accurately answers ALL parts of the PROMPT. 	
	ORGANIZATION: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Effective Introduction (ANT) & Conclusion (RRR). <input type="checkbox"/> Easy transitions between paragraphs. <input type="checkbox"/> Each paragraph follows TIEAC to structure a Logical Progression of ideas from beginning to end. <input type="checkbox"/> All TOPIC SENTENCES follow through on THESIS STATEMENT's promises. 	
	ELABORATION OF EVIDENCE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Relevant Evidence is CITED appropriately (Author, #). <input type="checkbox"/> Each paragraph integrates specific TEXTUAL evidence to support claims. <input type="checkbox"/> ANALYSIS: Textual evidence is explained through accurate elaboration and contextualization. <input type="checkbox"/> COMMENTARY connects the evidence to its relevance to the thesis statement. 	
	LANGUAGE, VOCABULARY, & STYLE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Formal Academic Tone (Third Person, Present Tense) <input type="checkbox"/> Proper use of academic and domain specific vocabulary is appropriate for the audience and purpose. NO QUESTION-ces, sentences with unanswered who, what, when, where, why, how. <input type="checkbox"/> Diction: Word Choice Variety <input type="checkbox"/> Syntax: Sentence Structure Variety <input type="checkbox"/> Active Voice 	
	CONVENTIONS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Minor errors in GRAMMAR, USAGE, and SENTENCE FORMATION. <input type="checkbox"/> Standard use of punctuation, capitalization, and spelling. 	

