

PARAGRAPH RUBRIC

ENGLISH 9A

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Title

Indent

Eleven Sentences

Strong Support for a Strong Thesis

Three Concrete Details: Facts or Skillfully Embedded Quotes

Two Commentary (supporting, explaining) Sentences for Each Concrete Detail (Quote)

Strong Conclusion

Perfect Spelling

Correct Grammar - Perfect Punctuation, Capitalization, Usage

No Run-Ons/Fragments

Present Tense

No First Person (I, we)

No Direct Address (you)

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Title

Indent

Eleven Sentences

Good Support for a Good Thesis

Three Concrete Details: Facts or Quotes not as Skillfully Embedded

Two Commentary (supporting, explaining) Sentences for Each Concrete Detail (Quote)

Good Conclusion

Perfect Spelling

Good Grammar - Punctuation, Capitalization, Usage (perhaps one or two errors)

Perhaps One Run-On/Fragment

No First Person (I, we)

Perhaps a Bit of Direct Address (you)

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May Not Have a Title

Indent

Eleven Sentences

Mild Support for an O.K. Thesis

Three Concrete Details: Facts or Poorly Embedded Quotes

Two Commentary (supporting, explaining) Sentences for Each Concrete Detail (Quote)

O.K. Conclusion

Maximum Two Spelling Errors

O.K. Grammar - Punctuation, Capitalization, Usage (perhaps two or three errors)

Perhaps Two Run-Ons/Fragments

Perhaps a Bit of First Person (I, we)

Some Direct Address (you)

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No Title

No Indent

Fewer than Eleven Sentences

Poor Support for a Poor Thesis

Three/Fewer Concrete Details: Facts or Quotes Not Embedded

Missing Commentary (supporting, explaining) Sentences

Poor/No Conclusion

More Than Two Spelling Errors

Poor Grammar - Punctuation, Capitalization, Usage (several errors)

More Than Two Run-Ons/Fragments

Much First Person (I, we)

Much Direct Address (you)