

Writing Rubric—Meat-Con Name:

Note: Although we will use this rubric throughout the semester, the point values for the four areas will change depending on individual assignments, and particular elements may be added to the four sections to reflect instruction.

I. Structure/Organization (15 pts.) Points Earned _____

- Body paragraph a minimum of 14 sentences
- Clear main idea sentence
- 3 Evidence sentences (One may address a counter argument.)
- Each evidence sentence starts with transition
- 3 sentences of analysis for each evidence sentence
- Concluding sentence presents “so what,” why this topic is worth thinking about
- Meat-con parts correctly highlighted (M = orange E = pink A= yellow T = blue Con = green)

II. Substance/Content (15 pts.) Points Earned _____

- Paper makes interesting, insightful, accurate points
- Ideas address stay focused on the prompt and support the main idea sentence
- Ideas are expressed **clearly**
- Ideas go beyond the obvious
- Ideas avoid redundancy, irrelevance and wordiness

III. Style/Formatting/Mechanics (15 pts.) Points Earned _____

- Obvious effort has gone into improving the sophistication of word choice (no “things” or slang)
- Point of view is appropriate for paper (no use of second person “you”!!)
- Variety of sentence opening (-ing words, dep. clauses, infinitives, etc.)
- Verbs are strong and active, avoiding passive voice
- Avoids expletive construction (“There is...” “There are...”) and weak verbs
- Avoids contractions
- Evidence that you used Grammarly (-5 if not done)
- Avoids run-ons and fragments
- Avoids misplaced modifiers, pronoun reference errors
- Tense is consistent throughout

Comments:

Grade/Total Points: