

Writing Rubric Checklist:

1. Paragraph contains a **strong purpose statement** that:
(10 pts)
 - Introduces ***main idea/topic*** of paragraph _____
 - Contains a main idea/topic that is true to the text (***accurate!***) _____
 - Is ***clear*** and ***concise*** _____
 - Includes ***title*** and ***author*** _____
2. Paragraph contains **well-chosen evidence** to support claims:
(30 pts)
 - 2-3 ***relevant*** supporting quotes provided _____
 - Quotes used require inferential analysis _____
 - ***Context*** provided prior to quotes _____
 - ***Transitions between evidence*** _____
 - Quotes are properly embedded _____
 - Properly formatted ***citation*** included _____
3. Developed **analysis** of selected evidence:
(40 pts)
 - Analysis ***connects back*** to ***purpose statement/main idea*** _____
 - Writer ***explains*** quote ***in support*** of main idea _____
 - Analysis is roughly ***twice as long*** as evidence _____
4. **Strong concluding statement/clincher** that summarizes the claims made in the paragraph: (10 pts)
Summarizes main ideas of paragraph in a ***new and interesting way***
 - Ties back to ***purpose statement*** _____
5. Attention to **grammar and mechanics**
(8 pts)
 - Proper ***punctuation, spelling, and capitalization***
 - Maintain present tense
 - No personal pronouns (I, you, we, us)
6. **Typed (size 12 font) and double-spaced**
(2 pts) _____

COMMENTS: