

Free Response Question: Analysis (11 points total)

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Thesis	0 points Thesis statement: - is unclear and suggests a vague position on an issue. - cannot be proven.	0.5 to 1.5 points Thesis statement: - takes a clear, specific stance on an issue. - presents a claim that is not both precise and arguable.	2 points Thesis statement: - takes a clear, specific stance on an issue. - presents a precise claim that is clearly arguable	/2
Evidence	0 to 1.5 points Evidence presented is: - unspecific and only somewhat accurate. - is lacking in adequacy to answer the question. - mostly irrelevant to the question.	2 to 3.5 points Evidence presented is: - mostly specific and completely accurate. - an adequate amount needed to answer the question. - mostly relevant to the thesis.	4 points Evidence presented is: - exact in specificity and accuracy. - an appropriate amount needed to answer the question. - completely relevant to the thesis.	/4
Analysis	0 to 0.5 Points Partial analysis that: - does not present a connection between the evidence and the thesis. - does not show any clear logic in the use of the evidence. - does not prove the thesis to be accurate.	1 to 2.5 points Analysis that: - presents a coherent connection between the evidence and the thesis. - presents the evidence in an adequate, mostly logical manner. - does not fully prove the thesis to be accurate.	3 points Complete analysis that: - specifically articulates the connection between the evidence and the thesis statement. - presents the evidence in a convincing, logical manner. - proves the thesis to be accurate.	/3
Conventions	0 points Student response contains more than 3 grammatical errors that interfere with meaning and make the piece difficult to read.	0.5 points Student response contains 1-2 grammatical errors that are distracting to the reader.	1 point Student response contains no grammatical errors that distract the reader.	/1
Tone of Voice	0 points Student response: - most word choice is vague and unclear. - does not include essential vocabulary.	0.5 points Student response: - most word choice is specific and exact. - includes most essential vocabulary.	1 points Student response: - word choice is specific and exact. - includes all necessary vocabulary.	/1