

WRITER'S NAME _____

PEER EDITOR'S NAME _____

O. Henry Essay Peer Editing Guide

5=Great

3 = Average

1=Don't give up, but this area needs some work.

5 4 3 2 1 COMPLETENESS AND ACCURACY (IDEAS AND CONTENT):

Are all three types of irony discussed?

Are examples accurate? In other words, does the writer demonstrate that he or she really understands each type of irony?

5 4 3 2 1 STAYING ON TOPIC (IDEAS AND CONTENT)

Does all ideas in the intro relate directly to irony?

Are all ideas in the rest of the essay related directly to the thesis?

5 4 3 2 1 ACES (ORGANIZATION)

Does the first paragraph end with a thesis sentence?

Does each body paragraph start with an "answer" sentence, include a "citation" sentence, include an "explanation," and include a "summary" (or "shift") sentence?

Does the conclusion summarize the main points and tie back to the introduction?

5 4 3 2 1 DICTION AND VOICE

Is it obvious that words have been carefully chosen?

Has the writer shown creativity and originality in word choice, imagery, and in the way ideas have been presented?

5 4 3 2 1 SENTENCE FLUENCY AND CONVENTIONS

Is the pronoun "I" consistently capitalized?

Is it obvious that the writer has proofread the essay? Is spelling correct? Capitalization?

Indentation?

Has the writer eliminated run-ons and fragments?

Are MLA conventions followed? (name block with European date style, name and page in upper right, title in same Times New Roman 12 font)

If you were required to give the essay one grade for the first three items above and a second for the last two items above, what would those grades be?

_____ Grade #1 A B C D F

_____ Grade # 2 A B C D F

Comments: