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Biography Peer Review

Read through the biography and address the most important criteria needed for improving the quality of the essay. You may not have time to address every criterion, so focus your review on the areas needing the most attention.

Criteria	Yes	Some	Needs attention	Comments
Title				
1	Does the biography include an <i>interesting and appropriate title</i> ? If not, after reading the essay in its entirety, please suggest possible titles.			
Design				
2	Are design tools used (i.e., typography, paragraphing, white space, and graphics) to <i>invite reading</i> ?			
3	Are design tools used to <i>set off the most important points</i> (or themes) and any significant details?			
Themes-Development				
4	What <i>themes are developed</i> through the content, structure, and design? Please list them.			
5	<i>How is each theme developed</i> ? Does the writer use examples, anecdotes, media, graphics, metaphors, etc. to develop the themes?			

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6	Is the <i>right amount of information</i> and detail provided, not too much or too little?				
Organization					
7	Does the biography include 3 distinguishable parts: <i>Introduction, body and conclusion</i> ?				
8	Does each paragraph begin with a clear <i>topic sentence</i> that states the main point and provides a <i>roadmap</i> for the entire paragraph or section?				
Style					
9	Is the message expressed in an <i>appropriate style</i> , one that supports how the writer wants to be perceived?				
Convention					
10	Is the document <i>free from numerous errors</i> in proofreading or grammatical errors including punctuation, spelling, tense, agreement between nouns and pronouns or subjects and verbs?				

Overall, what revisions would strengthen this biography?