ENGL 2813 Essay Rubric

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CRITERION	EXCELLENT (96-100)	GOOD (86)	SATISFACTORY (76)	PASSING (66)	FAILING (56-50)
Context of and Purpose for Writing Does the document **feature an overall idea** that answers the prompt question and ties together the supporting points and quotes?	Remarkable in most important respects.	Dynamic in one or more respects.	Writer makes a basic effort to offer an overall idea.	The key idea is implicit, not stated.	No overall idea is evident.
Genre and Disciplinary Conventions Does the document provide a scaffold of related **INSIGHTS i**n the **writer's own words** to suggest and otherwise support the overall idea? Insights come before the quotes.	Remarkable in most important respects.	Dynamic in one or more respects.	Writer makes an effort to offer insights as supporting points.	Supporting points are problematic.	No supporting points are evident.
Content Development Does the document utilize **specific, descriptive details in the writer's own words** to set a scene and describe the characters and their situation?	Remarkable in most important respects.	Dynamic in one or more respects.	Clear effort has been made to provide specific details in writer's own words.	Entry lacks adequate development with details.	No specific details.
Sources and Evidence Does the document bring to bear a **specific quote (each one a complete thought)** to back up, elucidate, and otherwise reinforce each **INSIGHT in paragraph one**? You need three from the primary text (first paragraph) and more than one quote from an essay in our critical edition (2nd paragraph). One of those quotes should be a complete thought. Prior to the longer quote is the insight.	Remarkable in most important respects.	Dynamic in one or more respects.	A basic attempt has been made to utilize relevant quotes.	Use of quotes is less than adequate.	Does not provide quotes.
Control of Syntax and Mechanics Does the document demonstrate proficient use of Standard Written English? Do quotes and attribution follow our model? Does the document follow directions? INSIGHTS come before the quotes in paragraph one and prior to the longer quote(s) in paragraph two. Bibliographic citation is provided.	Remarkable in most important respects.	Syntax or format is dynamic in some respect.	Syntax mostly makes sense; format is fine.	Syntax or format problems are distracting.	Syntax problems or format problems profoundly undermine the writing.
Comments:					

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