

Essay Peer Review Form



Reviewer's Name _____ Author's Name _____

Instructions: Each person will peer review one classmates' 5-paragraph essay. Please spend 30-35 minutes reviewing the essay, and then dedicate 10 minutes each to discussing the feedback.

NOTE: As authors and peer reviewers, this is your opportunity to improve your writing. This only comes with practice and repetition. Use this as a tool to better your rough drafts. Feel free to make comments both on this sheet AND on the papers directly.

Checklist for Peer Evaluating a Good Essay	
1-5 1= needs revision 5 = awesome job!	<h1>Criteria & Comments</h1>
	<p>CLEAR THESIS STATEMENT & TITLE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Does the title work? Does it catch you while also telling you what you can expect by reading this essay?• What is the fundamental human question thesis statement in this essay?• Does this essay demonstrate what position(s) the text/paper takes on this issue?
	<p>CLEAR INTRODUCTION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How did this introduction catch the reader's attention?• Did it draw you in?• Any recommendations/suggestions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are the 3 main points the author intends to explore to prove/support his/her thesis? <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. _____2. _____3. _____

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	<p>CLEAR ORGANIZATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Does this essay have well-organized 3 body paragraphs containing:<ul style="list-style-type: none">A) one overarching assertion (i.e Ghosts exist...)B) two pieces of evidence per paragraph (two pieces of proof that ghosts exist...)C) two points of commentary on the evidence (now that the proof is there, what does it all mean?)• Make helpful suggestions... can this use a bit more work? Does each paragraph flow nicely?
	<p>CLEAR TRANSITIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How has the author linked one paragraph to the next?• Are the transitions clear or could they perhaps use some work? Feel free to give suggestions.
	<p>REFERENCES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Did the author accurately quote references? NOTE: There must be at least one source this author used—make sure they have accurately referenced their sources.

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	<p>EFFECTIVE CONCLUSIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How is the essay's conclusion effective/ineffective?• Did the author creatively revisit the thesis statement and the three supporting pieces of evidence?
	<p>YOUR REACTIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What question puzzle or provoking thought are you left with after having read this essay?
	<p>Please peer edit and remove all unneeded statements like:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• I, we, us, they, etc.• In this essay...• This essay will prove...• So wrapping this essay up...• Any slang or informal speech...(like 'cuz, yous, etc.• Addressing the reader by saying "You"...• Spelling mistakes• Grammar errors

List three important **improvements** the author can make.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

List three **strengths** of the paper

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.