

Creative Artifact: 50	10-9	8-6	5-0
Creativity & Neatness Points x 2 ___/20	Wow! I am totally impressed with the creativity you exhibit in your creative element! This is neat, well put together, and a pleasure to look at and read. It is obvious you put time and effort into its creation.	Almost there... You need to add color or expression to show more creativity. More is more when it comes to creativity! This creative element needs a little polishing to make it really shine.	Keep trying... There is nothing creative about this creative element. This creative element was difficult or impossible to read.
Content ___/10	Wow! This creative element contains obvious attention to detail and conveys a clear understanding of the assignment and topic.	Almost there... You need to add some more content to make this creative element complete.	Keep trying... Your creative element is missing, incomplete, or lacking substantial content.
Tie to topic ___/10	Wow! I knew what your topic was just by looking at your creative element!	Almost there... You need to make your tie to your topic clearer.	Keep trying... There is no obvious tie to your research topic.
Fits genre ___/10	Wow! This creative element is a perfect representation of the chosen genre.	Almost there... I can see what you were trying to do, but this creative element doesn't really represent the genre you chose.	Keep trying... This creative element has nothing to do with the genre of writing you chose.
Research Essay: 150 total	50-45	44-34	33-0
Content/Research/Organization/Ideas ___/50	You rock! There is a clear, strong thesis with strong topic sentences which are points to the thesis. The paper is fully developed, and the information is logically organized.	You're getting there. Your information is sound with relevant controlling ideas and is somewhat developed and logically organized.	You need to keep trying. The paper lacks the rigor of thought and there is a lack of development and organization. A strong thesis would benefit your paper.
	20-17	16-8	7-0
Quotes (Lead-in included/explanation following) ___/20	Wow! You used lead-ins for all of your quotes and explained their purpose and/or connection.	Almost there... You need to make sure every quote has a lead-in.	Keep trying... You dropped in quotes, but forgot to include lead-ins.
	15-13	12-7	6-0
Works Cited Page (Included & properly formatted) ___/15	Wow! Your Works Cited page looks like a perfect example from an MLA handbook.	Almost there...your Works Cited page is included, but there may be a few errors within the citations or the formatting.	Keep trying... there are many errors on your Works Cited page.
Grammar/Mechanics (Punctuation, spelling) ___/15	You rock! No errors in grammar or spelling.	You're getting there. You have 1-5 errors in grammar and/or spelling.	You need to keep trying. You have more than 6 errors in grammar and/or spelling.
	10-9	8-6	5-0
Formatting (Times New Roman, 12 Pt Font, Header and Heading included) ___/10	Wow! All elements of formatting are included and correct.	Almost there...only 1 error has been made with formatting.	Keep trying...You have 2 or more errors with formatting.
Sources (Min 2 – 1 a book source) ___/10	Wow! You have all the required sources, including the book source.	-----	Keep trying... You do not have the correct number of required sources.
Internal Citations (Min 3) ___/10	Wow! All internal citations are both present and correct by rules of MLA formatting.	Almost there... Internal citations are present, but you made a few errors.	Keep trying...internal citations are either missing or incorrect.
Meets page length requirement (min. two pages) ___/10	Wow! Your paper is exactly as long as it was supposed to be.	-----	Keep trying... your paper does not meet the one-and-a-half to two page minimum.
Quotes (Directly apply to topic) ___/10	Wow! All of your quotes clearly connect to your overall topic and novel.	Almost there... It is not always clear what connection you are making between your topic and novel.	Keep trying... I cannot see any clear connection between your topic and novel.

Final Grade: _____ / 200

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