

Generic Rubric for Practice

Grading Criteria	Poor (1)	Below Average (2)	Average (3)	Good (4)	Excellent (5)
Organization	The essay is unclear with no organization.	The main points of the essay are ambiguous.	Writing has minimal organization and a basic thesis statement.	Writing follows a logical organization, but sometimes drifts from the thesis.	Writing is clear, logical, and very organized around a developed thesis.
Evidence	The essay does not attempt to use evidence to support thesis.	The evidence provided does not support thesis.	The use of evidence is minimal, but it does support thesis.	There is evidence to support almost every point.	Every point is clearly supported by strong evidence.
Analysis	The essay does not attempt to explain how the evidence relates to thesis.	The analysis of the evidence has no relation to the thesis.	The analysis of the evidence stretches its meaning to support thesis.	The analysis explains how the evidence supports the thesis in most cases.	The analysis shows a strong relationship between the evidence and the thesis.