

Reflective Writing Rubric

Skills	5	4	3	2	1
Depth of reflection	Demonstrate a conscious and thorough understanding of the writing prompt and the subject matter. This reflection can be used as an example for other students.	Demonstrate a thoughtful understanding of the writing prompt and the subject matter.	Demonstrate a basic understanding of the writing prompt and the subject matter.	Demonstrate a limited understanding of the writing prompt and subject matter. This reflection needs revision.	Demonstrate little or no understanding of the writing prompt and subject matter. This reflection needs revision.
Use of textual evidence and historical context	Use specific and convincing examples from the texts studied to support claims in your own writing, making insightful and applicable connections between texts.	Use relevant examples from the texts studied to support claims in your own writing, making applicable connections between texts.	Use examples from the text to support most claims in your writing with some connections made between texts.	Use incomplete or vaguely developed examples to only partially support claims with no connections made between texts.	No examples from the text are used and claims made in your own writing are unsupported and irrelevant to the topic at hand.
Language use	Use stylistically sophisticated language that is precise and engaging, with notable sense of voice, awareness of audience and purpose, and varied sentence structure.	Use language that is fluent and original, with evident a sense of voice, awareness of audience and purpose, and the ability to vary sentence structure.	Use basic but appropriate language, with a basic sense of voice, some awareness of audience and purpose and some attempt to vary sentence structure.	Use language that is vague or imprecise for the audience or purpose, with little sense of voice, and a limited awareness of how to vary sentence structure.	Use language that is unsuitable for the audience and purpose, with little or no awareness of sentence structure.
Conventions	Demonstrate control of the conventions with essentially no errors, even with sophisticated language.	Demonstrate control of the conventions, exhibiting occasional errors only when using sophisticated language.	Demonstrate partial control of the conventions, exhibiting occasional errors that do not hinder comprehension.	Demonstrate limited control of the conventions, exhibiting frequent errors that make comprehension difficult.	Demonstrate little or no control of the conventions, making comprehension almost impossible.