

SCORING ELEMENTS	EMERGING	APPROACHES EXPECTATIONS	MEETS EXPECTATIONS	EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS
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Introduce Claims & Maintain Focus	<p>Claim is <b>unclear</b> or <b>does not address the prompt</b></p> <p>Response is generally <b>unfocused</b></p>	<p>Makes a <b>general claim that addresses the prompt</b></p> <p>Focus on the claim throughout the response is <b>uneven</b></p>	<p>Establishes a <b>clear</b> claim that addresses <b>all aspects</b> of the prompt</p> <p><b>Maintains focus</b> on the claim; may have minor lapses in focus</p>	<p>Establishes a clear, <b>specific, and credible</b> claim that addresses all aspects of the prompt</p> <p>Maintains <b>consistent</b> focus on the claim throughout the response</p>
Supply Evidence	Includes <b>minimal details</b> from sources	Includes <b>details, examples, and/or quotations</b> from sources that are <b>relevant</b> to the claim <b>or</b> supporting ideas	Includes details, examples, and/or quotations from sources that are relevant to the claim <b>and</b> supporting ideas	Includes <b>well-chosen</b> details, examples, and/or quotations from sources that <b>best support</b> the claim and supporting ideas
Develop Ideas	<p>Explanation of source material is <b>irrelevant, incomplete, or inaccurate</b></p> <p>Reasoning is <b>unclear, circular, or repetitive</b></p>	<p>Explanation of source material is <b>minimal</b> or <b>contains minor errors</b></p> <p>Reasoning is <b>uneven</b></p>	<p><b>Accurately</b> explains how source material <b>supports the argument</b></p> <p>Reasoning is <b>sound and clear</b></p>	<p><b>Thoroughly</b> and accurately explains source material <b>to develop the argument</b></p> <p>Reasoning is clear and <b>sophisticated</b></p>
Cite Sources	Sources are used <b>without citation</b>	<b>Inconsistently</b> cites sources	<b>Consistently</b> cites sources with <b>minor formatting errors</b>	Consistently cites sources <b>using appropriate format</b>
Use Appropriate Language,	<b>Major errors</b> in standard English conventions	<b>Errors</b> in standard English conventions	<b>Consistently applies</b> standard English	Consistently applies standard English

<p><b>Style, and Tone</b></p>	<p><b>interfere with the clarity</b> of the writing</p> <p>Language and/or tone are <b>inappropriate</b> for the audience and purpose</p>	<p><b>sometimes</b> interfere with the clarity of the writing</p> <p>Language and tone are <b>inconsistently</b> appropriate for the audience and purpose</p>	<p>conventions; <b>minor errors</b>, while noticeable, <b>do not interfere</b> with the clarity of the writing</p> <p>Language and tone are <b>consistently</b> appropriate for the audience and purpose</p>	<p>conventions, <b>with few errors</b></p> <p>Demonstrates <b>varied syntax</b> and <b>precise word choice</b></p> <p>Language and tone are consistently appropriate <b>and engaging</b> for the audience and purpose</p>
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