

My Experience Reading...Essay Rubric

Category	Expectation	Points Possible	Points Earned	
Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening paragraph(s) clearly explore the context in which you read the novel (required? your choice? where you read? when you read? how you read?). • An excellent piece will illustrate a <u>specific place</u> in which the experience of reading occurred by providing a detailed description of the setting, and by drawing upon sensory imagery to capture the mood of this location. 	10		
Book Review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The description of the novel should include a summary or “book trailer” that entices others to read the novel without giving away the ending. • The review must discuss the who, what, where, when, why. What’s the novel about? Where does it take place? 	10		
Impact of Reading the Book	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You write with active verbs and accurate nouns to describe the elements of the story that had an impact on you, and you explore <i>why</i> they were so impactful. • You show your reactions, and say what you felt directly as a result of reading the text. • It is clear how reading of the book has impacted you, resonated with you, challenged you, shifted your outlook, made you question, made you wonder, been relevant to your growth as a person... 	10		
Style	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your writing seamlessly transitions from descriptions of setting into a summary of the novel, and then into a reflection on the experience and impact of reading. • Writing relies on sensory detail, and shows instead of tells. • There is a clear arc to <i>your</i> story of reading the story. 	5		
Presentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The essay contains no mechanical or spelling errors. • Syntax is fluid and all words are properly used. Each sentence sounds natural when read aloud and transitions smoothly from the one before it to logically build the argument. Includes a variety of sentence structures and aptly chosen, sophisticated vocabulary. 	5		
Comments:		Total	40	