

Essay Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Essay Author: \_\_\_\_\_ Reviewer: \_\_\_\_\_

1. What do you like best about this essay? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Does the introduction “grab your attention”? \_\_\_\_\_ How, or in what sense?

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3. INTRODUCTION: Does the essay tell the reader what the essay is going to be about? Can you identify a topic sentence? What is the topic? Does the author say what he/she is going to say about the topic (controlling statement)? What is the controlling statement? If this is not clear, help the author make it clear. Example: The purpose of this essay is to describe the steps to getting good grades in school. Topic = getting good grades in school. Controlling statement = the steps involved.

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3. BODY: What are the major points or “steps”? Are they clearly stated? \_\_\_\_\_ List them:

a. The first step to \_\_\_(topic)\_\_\_ is to \_\_\_\_\_

b. Another important step to \_\_\_(topic)\_\_\_ is to \_\_\_\_\_

c. Finally, the most important step to \_\_\_(topic)\_\_\_ is to \_\_\_\_\_

4. Do all the major points or “steps” have supporting details? Write additional supporting details the author *may* include. Consider important “connectors” like *for example,...* *this means that...*, and *in other words,...* \_\_\_\_\_

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7. CONCLUSION: Does the conclusion summarize the essay main idea of the essay? \_\_\_\_\_

Does the conclusion leave the reader with a good impression? \_\_\_\_\_ Explain both answers:

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8. Is the essay original? How can you tell? \_\_\_\_\_

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