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Explanatory essay (Q1)
Grading SCORE SHEET

INTRODUCTION

Attention Getter and Universal Statement	0	1	2		
Thesis statement: Explanation of main idea (includes title, author, main character of story being referenced)	0	1	2	3	4

TBEAR Body Paragraph					
Topic Sentence(s): clearly states the main idea of the paragraph	0	1	2	3	
Build up information: gives background for the evidence to follow	0	1	2	3	
Evidence: includes 1 to 2 examples of facts/details/quotations	0	1	2	3	
MLA Citation	0	1	2		
Analysis of the evidence explains how the evidence supports the main idea	0	1	2	3	
Restate main idea of paragraph	0	1	2	3	

CONCLUSION

Restate Purposeful Thesis	0	1	2
Relate to theme using creative, ingenious wording, a simile or metaphor	0	1	2
Universal Statement for Audience	0	1	2

CONTEXTUAL LANGUAGE AND CONVENTIONS

Transitions used	0	1	2	
Voice and Tone	0	1	2	
Lead-in phrases	0	1	2	
Vocabulary Use -Vivid Language - (no "dead" words)	0	1	2	
Grammar, Punctuation, Spelling	0	1	2	3
Sentence Variety (simple, compound, complex)	0	1	2	3
Avoids second person (you/your)	0	1	2	
Maintains Present Tense	0	1	2	
Includes a clever title	0	1		
Paragraph is formatted correctly (i.e. double spaced, indented first line, 12 point font, Times New Roman or Arial font)	0	1	2	

Teacher comments	Student Goals