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| **MLA Format** | Heading- 4 points  Times New Roman Size 12- 2 points  Header (last name & page number)- 1 point  Double Spaced- 1 points  Title is punctuated correctly- 1 point  Numbers 1-100 written out- 1 point | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  |
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| **Body Paragraph Two** | Topic Sentence (dependent clause/opposition + comma + independent clause/reason)- 3 points  Textual Evidence  Lead in- 1 point  Comma- 1 point  “Evidence” (quotation marks and direct text)- 1 point  Citation with author’s last name and page number- 1 point  Period at the end- 1 point Explanation of textual evidence- 1 point  Another detail type from the list of ten- 1 point | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |  |
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| **Conclusion** | Missing all of the required | | Missing four of the required | | | Missing three of the required | | | Missing two of the required | | Missing one of the required (claim, three reasons, theme/moral/thought-provoking statement) | | | Closing is evident with thesis statement (claim + three reasons), theme/moral/thought-provoking statement | |  |
| **Grammar** | No apparent control  Severe/ numerous errors, contains 3 or more personal pronouns | | Numerous errors, contains 3 or more personal pronouns | | | Errors/pattern of errors may be evident, contains 3 or more personal pronouns | | | Some errors that do not interfere with meaning, contains 3 or more personal pronouns | | Few errors, contains 1-2 personal pronouns | | | Very few, if any, errors, no personal pronouns | |  |
| **Mechanics** | Errors so severe they detract from meaning, contains 3 or more contractions | | Numerous serious errors, contains 3 or more contractions | | | Patterns of errors evident, contains 3 or more contractions | | | No consistent pattern of errors, contains 3 or more contractions | | Some errors that do not interfere with meaning, contains 1-2 contractions | | | Very few, if any errors, no contractions | |  |
| **Transitions** | No evident transitions | | One of the required | | | Two of the three required with repeats | | | Two out of the three required (no repeats) | | One per body paragraph with repeats | | | One per body paragraph (no repeats) | |  |
| **Title** | Does not have a title | | N/A | | | **\*5 points\***  Weak, does not match content, not set up as Noun (Topic): Claim, and/or punctuated incorrectly | | | N/A | | N/A | | | Matches content, punctuated correctly, creative/unique, Noun (Topic): Claim | |  |