

Comparative Analysis Paper Rubric

(Choose a score between 2 and 10 for each section for a total score out of 50 points. Record the points on the grading sheet.)

Content

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- Writing clearly defines the literary element of choice and accurately identifies where the literary element can be found in each story
- Writing clearly and accurately explains how the respective authors of each work use the literary element
- Writing displays an in-depth analysis of the literary works
- Writing conveys an in-depth analysis through the use of specific/detailed evidence to support the writer's main ideas

Structure/Organization

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- Clear introduction, body, and conclusion
- Logical and coherent sequence of ideas
- One main idea per paragraph with development (supporting information)
- Effective use of transitions, creating fluidity of ideas throughout
- Writing maintains a clear intent and direction relative to validating the thesis

Grammar/Conventions

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- Spelling, Punctuation, and Capitalization are used appropriately
- Word choice and usage are keeping with the format of the paper
- Sentence structure and variety are used appropriately

Attention to Directions

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- Paper is between 5 and 7 pages in length
- Essay is typed, double spaced, has 1-inch margins, and is in Times New Roman (12 pt.) font
- Any outside sources used are cited correctly using MLA format.
- Includes the titles and authors of any selections
- Focus of the writing is a comparison and contrast of the selections based on the overall works, characters, themes, characteristics of the particular literary movements, or literary techniques