# ENGLISH 11 TERM PAPER GRADING RUBRIC

|  | Summary | Background Information | Literary Techniques | MLA Format/ Works Cited | Spelling/Grammar |
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| **3** | Provides a *thorough* summary that demonstrates a clear & complete understanding of the novel read *and* discusses the 5 parts: characters, plot, conflict(s), climax, & resolution | Provides *thorough* information on the author, including motivations, inspirations, & what was occurring historically *and* answers all of the provided questions | Correctly identifies 3 (or 4) different literary techniques, provides 2 examples from the literature read for each, provides a clear definition for each, *thoroughly* explains each example, & gives insight to choices | All aspects of MLA format are correct, Works Cited page is error free, includes *at least* 3 complete sources | 0-3 spelling, grammar, and/or "common" errors (i.e. no contractions, "I", "you", or "we") |
| **2** | Provides a *somewhat* brief summary that does not demonstrate a clear & complex understanding of the novel read *and* discusses only *some* of the 5 parts: characters, plot, conflict(s), climax, & resolution | Provides *some* information on the author, missing answers to *some* of the provided questions | Correctly identifies 2 different literary techniques, provides 2 examples from the literature read for each, provides clear definition for each, *thoroughly* explains each example, & gives insight to choices | MLA format has 1-3 errors, includes *at least* 3 complete sources | 4-6 spelling, grammar, and/or "common" errors (i.e. no contractions, "I", "you", or "we") |
| **1** | Provides a *very brief* summary that demonstrates limited or no understanding of the novel *and* discusses few of the 5 parts: characters, plot, conflict(s), climax, & resolution | Provides *very limited* background information; *very few* specifics, not enough research, answers *few* of the provided questions | Correctly identifies literary technique(s), provides 2 examples from the literature read for each, provides a clear definition, thoroughly explains each example, & gives insight to choices | MLA format 4-6 errors; includes *only* 2 sources | 7-9 spelling, grammar, and/or "common" errors (i.e. no contractions, "I", "you", or "we") |
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