

Writing Rubric

Name _____

Date _____

Excellent.....Not there yet
5 4 3 2 1 0

Content - 30%

Main idea of each paragraph is stated in a strong topic sentence or thesis statement. 5 4 3 2 1 0

Specific details and examples support the ideas presented in the assignment. 5 4 3 2 1 0

Details are accurate and directly related to the main idea. 5 4 3 2 1 0

Conclusion is strong and related to the main idea. 5 4 3 2 1 0

Writing avoids any unnecessary words or sentences. 5 4 3 2 1 0

Organization - 30%

Organization is clear; ideas are presented in a logical order. 5 4 3 2 1 0

Transitions are used where necessary to make ideas more coherent. 5 4 3 2 1 0

Paragraphs are configured properly. (The writer does not need to begin a new paragraph somewhere or join two paragraphs.) 5 4 3 2 1 0

Style - 30%

Wording is precise; avoids clichés and repetitious phrases. 5 4 3 2 1 0

Sentence structure is correct; avoids run-on sentences or sentence fragments. 5 4 3 2 1 0

Variety of sentence types are incorporated; short and long, simple and complex. 5 4 3 2 1 0

Subject-verb agreement or pronoun reference is correct. 5 4 3 2 1 0

Point of view is evident. 5 4 3 2 1 0

Mechanics are correct. 5 4 3 2 1 0

Self Reflection - 10%

In paragraph form, explain what you have done to ensure the guest speaker's main points were reported accurately.