| Criteria | EXEMPLARY | GOOD | FAIR | POOR | VERY POOR |
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| Organization and Structure | Your essay begins with clear topic sentence. <br> Response is in an essay format with three paragraphs (intro, body and conclusion). You provide meaningful, transitions. | Your essay begins with clear topic sentence and logically organized Response is at least two paragraphs. You provide transitions. | Writing is coherent and logically organized. <br> Some points remain misplaced and stray from the topic. <br> You provide transitions. Response is at least two paragraphs. | Writing is not coherent and logically organized. Some points remain misplaced and stray from the topic. Response is only one paragraph. | Writing is not coherent and logically organized. Points stray from the topic. Response is less than a paragraph. |
| Typing text: New Times Roman/ Arial, 11/12 pt., and doubled space | No spacing, font or font size errors are evident. | Some spacing inconsistencies or nor correct; but font and font size are correct | Some spacing and or font size inconsistencies or nor correct; but correct font is used | Some spacing and or correct font inconsistencies or nor correct; but correct font size is used | Spacing, Font and Font size is not consistent or not correct. |
| Content | Content exhibits an outstanding understanding of the assignment. Key points were addressed. All questions were addressed. | Content exhibits some understanding of the assignment. Key points were addressed. Two of the questions were addressed. | Content exhibits some understanding of the assignment. One of the questions was addressed. | Content does not exhibit understanding of the assignment. One of the questions was addressed. | Content does not exhibit understanding of the assignment. None of the questions were addressed. |
| Writing Skills: conform to college-level writing with correct grammar, spelling, and punctuation. | No <br> grammatical, spelling, punctuation, or format errors apparent | Few (one to three) <br> grammatical, spelling, punctuation errors apparent | A number (four to five) of grammatical, spelling, punctuation errors apparent, | Six or seven grammatical, spelling, punctuation errors apparent, | More than seven grammar, spelling, and punctuation errors. |

