Expository Essay					

	10 pts	**5 pts**	**1 pt**		
Format and Required Info	Student formatted paper according to instructions with few, if any, mistakes. Student included their name and other required information.	Student formatted paper with some mistakes. Student did not include either their name or other required information.	Student formatted paper with several mistakes. Student did not include both their name and other required information.		___ / 10

	10 pts	**7 pts**	**4 pts**	**1 pt**	
Opening Paragraph	Opening paragraph introduces topic excellently. Interesting and effective hook.	Opening paragraph introduces topic well. Adequate hook.	Opening paragraph introduces topic poorly. Ineffective hook.	Opening paragraph is not included.	___ / 10
Thesis	Thesis statement and restatement are included in the proper places. Thesis correctly and clearly represents the expository content of the essay.	Thesis statement and restatement are included in the proper places. Thesis incorrectly and/or unclearly represents the expository content of the essay.	Thesis statement and/or restatement are incorrectly placed and/or missing. Thesis does not represent the expository content of the essay.	Neither thesis nor restatement are effectively included.	___ / 10

	20 pts	**16 pts**	**12 pts**	**8 pts**	**4 pts**	
Body Paragraphs	Body paragraphs contain detailed support and examples. Support and examples are presented in an excellent manner.	Body paragraphs contain general support and examples. Support and examples are presented in a suitable manner.	Body paragraphs contain adequate support and examples. Support and examples are presented in an average manner.	Body paragraphs contain poor support and examples. Support and examples are presented in an ineffective manner.	Body paragraphs do not contain support and examples.	___ / 20

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Closing Paragraph	Closing paragraph brings essay to a close excellently.	Closing paragraph brings essay to a close well.	Closing paragraph brings essay to a close poorly.	Closing paragraph is not included.	___ / 10
Writing Type	An effective example of expository writing.	A good example of expository writing.	A basic example of expository writing.	A poor example of expository writing.	___ / 10
Transitions	Appropriate and effective transitions are used between thoughts and paragraphs.	General transitions are used between thoughts and paragraphs.	Few and vague transitions are used between thoughts and paragraphs.	Inappropriate and/or missing transitions between thoughts and paragraphs.	___ / 10

	10 pts	**8 pts**	**6 pts**	**4 pts**	**1 pt**	
Word Choice and Sentence Structure	Word choice and sentence structure are rich and varied.	Word choice and sentence structure are well-chosen and somewhat varied.	Word choice and sentence structure are adequate and somewhat varied.	Word choice and sentence structure are basic and lack variety.	Word choice is vague, and sentences are simple and fragmented.	___ / 10

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Mechanics	Contains few, if any, errors in the conventions of the English language (grammar, punctuation, capitalization, and spelling).	Contains some errors in the conventions of the English language (grammar, punctuation, capitalization, and spelling).	Contains several errors in the conventions of the English language (grammar, punctuation, capitalization, and spelling).		___ / 10

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