

Essay 1: Peer Review

I. Read the draft from beginning to end. As you read, proof read. Mark any problems you notice with grammar, spelling, punctuation, or MLA format.

II. Write out your peer review on the reverse side of the essay's final page. At the top of the page place the author's name and your own name as shown:

Author: _____ Reviewer: _____

A. Respond briefly to each of the following questions:

1. **TITLE:** Does the title arouse interest and forecast the question the essay addresses?
2. **INTRODUCTION:** How does the introduction capture your interest, explain the critical question, and suggest why the question is both problematic and significant?
3. **THESIS:** Underline the thesis statement. Is the thesis surprising? Does it forecast the essay's structure? How does the essay show that its thesis conflicts with alternative interpretations or views?
4. **STRUCTURE:** How is the essay structured? Does it have a clear thesis, topic sentences for each body paragraph, good transitions, and so on?
5. **EVIDENCE:** Where does the essay quote from the story? How are each of its points grounded in the text?
6. **QUOTATIONS:** Where could the author improve the effectiveness of signal phrases, quotations, and MLA documentation in the essay?

B. Make at least TWO specific **suggestions for revision**.