**TIQA Essay Rubric**

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| Trait | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Intro and  Thesis Statement | Thesis is clear, precise, and original. Fits into one or two sentences. Intro graph includes ANT. | Thesis is clear, but not very original. No A or N in intro paragraph. | Thesis is not clear, the reader is not sure of the essay's main argument, | There is no thesis statement. |
| Proofs | There are at least three proofs from the text and they are each cited. | There are three proofs but they are not cited. | Two proofs | One proof |
| Paragraphs/Structure | Paragraphs each include the TIQA, successfully help prove the thesis. | Paragraphs are missing elements of TIQA; it is not clear how this paragraph proves the thesis. | Paragraphs do not follow the TIQA guidelines. | Paragraphs do not follow the TIQA guidelines |
| Conclusion | Summarizes, reviews proofs, ties back to thesis | Summarizes and ties back to thesis but does not review proofs. | Summarizes but neither reviews proofs nor ties back to thesis | Conclusion is absent. |
| Style | No spelling errors, no typos or other mechanical errors. Language flows nicely. There are transitions. | Spelling and other errors are present, but infrequent. Language flows pretty well. | Spelling errors are noticeable. Essay should have been re-read out loud by writer. Writing is clunky. | Spell Check was not used, essay was not done with a word processor. Writing is difficult to understand. |