

Writing Evaluation Rubric				
Performance Criteria	Pulitzer Material 5	Summer Fiction 3	Pulp Fiction 1	Box Filler 0
Focus Clear point of view	Text clear, focused, well elaborated throughout	Text sometimes cloudy; reader may need to clarify position	Text confused, shifting, or disjointed	Minimal text or text missing
Support Elaboration or explanation of major points	Each major point "backed up" with 2-3 pieces of accurate evidence	At least 50% of major points "backed up"	Support inaccurate or missing more than 50% of the time	No support; "take this on faith"
Organization Logical flow of ideas; clear plan	All points connected and signaled with transitions or clear indicators; flow "flows"	At least 50% of points connected; transitions may be weak; some points seem out of order	Connections and transitions are unclear; many are missing; flow is muddled	No logic to flow and no transitions
Conventions Use of standard English	Few minor errors, if any; clear, precise vocabulary and sentence structure	Some minor errors; no more than 1-2 major errors	Major errors that confuse meaning; ineffective sentence structure	Jabberwocky! (no use of standard conventions)

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