

English 1101 Essay #1 Evaluation

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	<i>In This Essay</i>	Above Expectations	Meets Expectations	Less Than Satisfactory
Beginning	Opening sentences reach out to interest intended audience			
	Background information orients audience to topic of paper			
	Thesis statement is clear, focused, on-topic, and persuasive claim			
Middle	Topic sentences for paragraphs are precise assertions			
	Proof using specific examples supports topic sentences			
	Closing statements explain how the topic sentences are supported			
Ending	Thesis is not repeated but shown to be worthy of attention			
	New information extends topic in new but relevant direction			
	Closing comments leave the reader with ideas to consider			
Content	Central idea is complex, unique, well-developed, and memorable			
	Paragraphs are connected like stages in a unified argument			
Style & Grammar	Sentence structure and diction are clear and precise			
	Sentences are structured in a variety of way to express complex ideas			
	Grammar and punctuation choices do not compromise readability of essay			
	Mechanics and presentation choices follow MLA formatting rules			

Grade: