

## Sample Rubric for ESOL 840

	<b>Poorly Done 1pt</b>	<b>Not Passing 2 pts</b>	<b>Adequate 3 pts</b>	<b>Good 4 pts</b>	<b>Excellent 5 pts</b>
<u>Thesis/Main Idea</u>	None, lacks point of view	Too broad; Writing doesn't present the topic or the writer's opinion clearly, or is off-topic.	Has a point of view but may be simplistic and/or lack focus.	Point of view is clearly focused on the topic	Skillful, imaginative, insightful, original, creative.
<u>Support/ Critical Thinking</u>	Lacks any concrete support.	Is not developed with sufficient details.	Writing presents the topic and is developing support, though it may be inconsistent or not sufficient.	Sufficient support; some critical thinking. Writing is clear and focused. Sources are cited.	Writing supports the topic thoroughly. Sources are cited. Convincing; shows critical thinking.
<u>Organization</u>	Disorganized, like a freewrite.	Ideas do not follow essay format or are confusing or too brief.	Some organization of the topic but it may be inconsistent or out of focus.	Ideas are organized into a clear beginning and middle and the main idea is clear. Some parts may lack transitions and/or lack development.	Ideas are organized to support and explain the main idea through a definition, details, examples, and a link. Ideas follow natural transitions and are easy to follow.
<u>Vocabulary</u>	Too many mistakes to understand and/or follow the ideas. Key words missing	Vocabulary is too limited and/or key words used, but incorrectly.	Vocabulary is descriptive, but limited. Key words used correctly and incorrectly, but without variety	Key vocabulary reflects the text, usually used correctly, with variety.	Vocabulary is specific to the topic and goes beyond basic key words.
<u>Grammar/ Punctuation/ Sentence Structure</u>	Grammar errors makes the writing impossible to understand	A mix of basic sentence structure grammar/punctuation problems confuse the reader.	Common grammar/punctuation problems are distracting, but not confusing. Sentences lack variety	Occasional grammar problems suggest some skillful proofreading. Sentence variety is attempted.	Common grammar and punctuation problems are minimal so writing is clear. Sentence types are varied, skillful and creative