

**Organization (6 points)**

5-6: essay contains short, clear sentences and paragraphs, clear transitions, well-structured, free of recurring grammatical errors	
3-4: essay contains some structural issues, lacks consistently clear sentences, paragraphs, and transitions, free of recurring grammatical errors	
0-2: essay lacks structure and clarity, contains recurring grammatical errors	

**Exposition (7 points)**

6-7: displays complete comprehension of material, provides clear explanation of ideas	
4-5: displays adequate understanding of material, main ideas represented fairly clearly	
2-3: lacks adequate understanding of material, ideas misrepresented, represented unclearly, or description lacks important details	
0-1: major mistakes present, contains significant misrepresentation of ideas	

**Critical Assessment (7 points)**

6-7: criticism effectively challenges a crucial claim or raises an objection that calls argument into question	
4-5: makes reasonably well-supported claim and conveys understanding of what claim achieves	
2-3: a claim is present but is poorly developed, minor argumentative errors present, does not indicate understanding of what presented claim achieves	
0-2: significant argumentative errors present, lacks argument, argument is unclear or amounts to mere counter-example or counter-assertion, or is off-topic	

**Deductions**

Missing cover sheet (-1)	
Violation of length requirement: half page over or under 5 pages (-1)	
Late submission (-5 per day)	
Lacks page numbers (-1)	
Other:	

Total: \_\_\_\_\_/20