Content ______/80

Paragraph 1: Introduction ______/20

Does the paragraph begin by introducing the story and its author? (10 points) ______
In the case of a refutation, does the paragraph briefly tell why part of the story is unbelievable, improbable, unclear, or improper? In the case of a confirmation, does the paragraph briefly tell why part of the story is believable, probable, clear, or proper? (10 points) ______

Paragraph 2: Summary ______/20

Does this paragraph feature a short summary of the story in four or five sentences? (20 points) ______

Paragraph 3: Refutation or Confirmation ______/20

In the case of a refutation, does this paragraph attack and refute part of the story using sound arguments? In other words, does it explain how this part is unbelievable, improbable, unclear, or improper? In the case of a confirmation, does this paragraph defend and confirm part of the story using sound arguments? In other words, does it explain how this part is believable, probable, clear, or proper? (16 points) ______
Does this paragraph use one direct quote from the story text to help support the argument? (4 points) ______

Paragraph 4: Epilogue ______/20

Does this paragraph wrap up the essay with a conclusion? Does this paragraph either rephrase the argument or make a suggestion for how the author could change his story to solve the problem? (20 points) ______

Style & Form ______/20

Style ______/12

Are the sentences varied? (4 points) ______
Do the paragraphs follow each other in a way that makes sense? In other words, do they flow together? (4 points) ______
Does the writer use strong and specific words (vocabulary)? (4 points) ______
Form ________/8

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