

Student Name: _____

AoW # _____

Final Grade: _____

Article of the Week Rubric

Category	Description	Points
Name	Student put their name on the article AND reflection. A name in only one location will result in 3 points off.	___/5
Highlight/ Underline Important Information	Underline key words and phrases- anything that strikes you as surprising or that raises questions or confusion. Random underlining or highlighting by itself is coloring, not close reading.	___/5
Comments in Margins	Write your thoughts and reactions in the margins next to what you have highlighted or underlined. You must have a minimum of five comments in the margins, for each comment missing, a point will be deducted. One-word comments DO NOT count.	___/5
Vocabulary	All vocabulary words are defined in the designated area. If they are defined anywhere else, 5 points will be deducted. Any missing word and definition will result in a 2 point deduction. If the definition is of poor quality, 2 points will be deducted per word.	___/10
Organizational Pattern	*Goes into effect on AoW #2. The organizational pattern is given and an explanation as to why it is what it is. The explanation must be logical and must prove that the organizational pattern makes sense for the article. No explanation will result in an 8 point deduction, making the actual organizational pattern worth 2 points.	___/10
Reflection	Length (15 points): a paper only $\frac{1}{4}$ of a page long will result in a total 15 point deduction. A paper $\frac{1}{2}$ a page long will result in a 10 point deduction. A paper $\frac{3}{4}$ of a page long will result in a 5 point deduction. Only a full page will get a full 15 points. Quality (5 points): The paper must be of decent quality and must make sense. The response should show that the student actually read and understood the article through the given opinions. Spelling or Apostrophes (2 points): spelling must be used correctly throughout the response. Grammar (3 points): correct grammar must be used throughout the paper. Academic language (2 points): No text talk. This is a formal paper and needs to be written as such. Opinion (3 points): needs to be mostly opinion and not too much summary	___/30
Do Not use "I" or "You"	*Goes into effect on AoW #3. Form your opinions without saying "I think...", "I feel...", or "I believe..." and do not make general statements about "you". Ex: "say <u>you</u> were walking down the street and someone stole <u>your</u> purse..."	___/5
Paragraph Formation	Indent (2 Points), You must not skip Lines between paragraphs (2 points), More than one Sentence per paragraph must be written (2 points), Minimum of 4 paragraphs (1 point per paragraph)	___/10
Thesis A and B with Examples	(5 points) Your response needs to contain a thesis in the introduction that has two points (A and B). (5 points) each body paragraph needs to contain an example (literary, historical, pop culture, or personal).	___/10
Boxes Checked off	All boxes to the left of the instructions are checked off. Any lie will get a point deducted.	___/10