

The Alchemist 5-Paragraph Literary Analysis Rubric

Name _____ Hour _____

____ / 13 **Ideas**

- ____ / 3 1 effective quote per Body Paragraph
- ____ / 3 Each paragraph specifically discusses only 1 reason
- ____ / 3 Each paragraph emphasizes the direction of the essay
- ____ / 2 Specific examples and quotes help support the direction
- ____ / 2 The response demonstrates a great deal of originality and creativity

____ / 14 **Organization**

- ____ / 1 Introductory Paragraph contains attention getter as first sentence(s) of intro.
- ____ / 2 Introductory Paragraph contains Thesis Statement as last sentence of intro.
- ____ / 2 Thesis is flows smoothly and follows S+D+3R method
- ____ / 3 Each body paragraph begins with an appropriate topic sentence
- ____ / 3 3 Reasons correspond in order with 3 Body Paragraphs
- ____ / 1 Conclusion Paragraph contains Thesis Statement (restated)
- ____ / 1 Conclusion Paragraph summarizes the essay
- ____ / 1 Conclusion Paragraph emphasizes the direction of the essay

____ / 4 **Voice**

- ____ / 2 The writer's voice is clear, consistent, and sincere throughout the response
- ____ / 2 The response's tone demonstrates exceptional sensitivity to the piece of literature

____ / 7 **Word Choice**

- ____ / 2 Words are specific and accurate
- ____ / 2 Lively verbs, specific nouns, and modifiers improve writing
- ____ / 3 3 vocabulary words are used and underlined in essay

____ / 5 **Sentence Fluency**

- ____ / 2 Sentences flow smoothly from one to another (enhanced by transitions)
- ____ / 2 Sentences vary in length and structure
- ____ / 1 The response moves smoothly from beginning to end

____ / 4 **Presentation**

- ____ / 1 Proper heading
- ____ / 1 12-point, Times New Roman font
- ____ / 1 Double spaced
- ____ / 1 Minimum of 300 words

____ / 3 **Conventions**

- ____ / 2 The writing has no more than 2 grammar or spelling errors
- ____ / 1 Quotes are perfectly cited with no errors

TOTAL _____ / 50

COMMENT

