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☐ Introduces and clearly maintains a precise claim throughout the work (W.9-10.1a)	☐ Introduces and adequately maintains a claim throughout the work (W.9-10.1a)	☐ Introduces a claim, but does not maintain the claim throughout the work (W.9-10.1a)	□ Does not introduce a claim (W.9-10.1a)
☐ Consistently and thoroughly distinguishes the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims. (W.9-10.1a)	☐ Often distinguishes the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims. (W.9-10.1a)	☐ Occasionally distinguishes the claim(s) from alternate or opposing claims. (W.9-10.1a)	☐ Does not distinguish among claims and alternate or opposing claims (W.9-10.1a)
☐ Creates an organization that effectively establishes clear relationships among claims, counterclaims, reasons and evidence (W.9-10.1a)	☐ Creates an organization that somewhat establishes relationships among claims, counterclaims, reasons and evidence (W.9-10.1a)	☐ Creates an organization that loosely establishes relationships among claims, counterclaims, reasons and evidence (W.9-10.1a)	☐ Does not create organization that establishes relationships among claims, counterclaims, reasons, and evidence (W.9-10.1a)
☐ Uses appropriate and varied words, phrases and clauses (transitions) to consistently and effectively link major sections and to create cohesion (W.9-10.1c)	☐ Uses appropriate and varied words, phrases and clauses (transitions) to often link major sections and to create cohesion (W.9-10.1c)	☐ Uses words, phrases and clauses (transitions) to occasionally link major sections and to create cohesion (W.9- 10.1c)	☐ Does not use words, phrases, and clauses(transitions) to link major sections and to create cohesion (W.9-10.1c)
☐ Provides a strong concluding statement or section that follows the argument presented (W.9-10.1e)	 Provides an adequate concluding statement or section that follows the argument presented (W.9-10.1e) 	☐ Provides a weak concluding statement or section that follows the argument presented (W.9-10.1e)	☐ Does not have a concluding statement or section (W.9-10.1e)
☐ Sustains clear and coherent development, organization and style appropriate to task, purpose and audience (W.9-10.ELA and HST.4)	☐ Inconsistently sustains clear and coherent development, organization and style appropriate to task, purpose and audience (W.9-10.ELA and HST.4)	☐ Infrequently sustains clear and coherent development, organization and style appropriate to task, purpose and audience (W.9-10.ELA and HST.4)	☐ Does not sustain development, organization, and style appropriate to task, purpose, and audience (W.9-10.ELA and HST.4)
☐ Consistently maintains the flow of ideas by integrating relevant information into the text (W.9-10.ELA and HST.8)	 Often maintains the flow of ideas by integrating relevant information into the text (W.9-10.ELA and HST.8) 	Occasionally maintains the flow of ideas by integrating relevant information into the text (W.9-10.ELA and HST.8)	☐ Does not integrate relevant information to maintain a flow of ideas (W.9-10.ELA and HST.8)

Evidence & Elaboration	 □ Develops claims and counterclaims fairly and in an audience-appropriate manner consistently by: □ Supplying data and evidence (W.9-10.1b) □ Pointing out the strengths and limitations (W.9-10.1b) 	 □ Develops claims and counterclaims fairly and in an audience-appropriate manner often by: □ supplying data and evidence (W.9-10.1b) □ pointing out the strengths and limitations (W.9-10.1b) 	 □ Develops claims and counterclaims fairly and in an audience-appropriate manner occasionally by: □ supplying data and evidence (W.9-10.1b) □ pointing out strengths and limitations (W.9-10.1b) 	□ Does not develop claims and counterclaims fairly (W.9-10.1b)
	☐ Clearly and consistently uses appropriate and varied words, phrases, and clauses (transitions) to clarify the relationships between: ☐ Claims and reasons (W.9-10.1c) ☐ Reasons and evidence (W.9- 10.1c) ☐ Claims and counterclaims (W.9- 10.1c)	 □ Adequately uses appropriate and varied words, phrases, and clauses (transitions) to clarify the relationships between: □ Claims and reasons (W.9-10.1c) □ Reasons and evidence (W.9-10.1c) □ Claims and counterclaims (W.9-10.1c) 	 ☐ Minimally uses appropriate and varied words, phrases, and clauses (transitions) to clarify the relationships between: ☐ Claims and reasons (W.9-10.1c) ☐ Reasons and evidence (W.9-10.1c) ☐ Claims and counterclaims (W.9-10.1c) 	□ Does not use words, phrases, and clauses (transitions) to clarify relationships (W.9-10.1c)
	 Provides a concluding statement or section that strongly supports the argument presented (W.9-10.1e) 	☐ Provides a concluding statement or section that adequately supports the argument presented (W.9-10.1e)	☐ Provides a concluding statement or section that weakly supports the argument presented (W.9-10.1e)	☐ Concluding statement does not support the argument presented (W.9-10.1e)
	☐ Integrates strong and convincing evidence from multiple, authoritative, discipline-appropriate texts in order to support analysis, reflection, and research while avoiding plagiarism (W.9-10.8-9)	☐ Integrates adequate evidence from texts in order to support analysis, reflection and research while avoiding plagiarism (W.9-10.8-9)	☐ Integrates weak evidence from texts in order to support analysis, reflection, and research while avoiding plagiarism (W.9-10.8-9)	 □ Does not integrate evidence from texts to support the argument (W.9-10.8-9) □ Work contains plagiarism (W.9-10.8-9)



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Style	☐ Establishes and consistently maintains a formal style and objective tone in a manner that is appropriate to discipline, task, purpose and audience (W.9-10.1d and W.9-10.4)	☐ Establishes and often maintains a formal style and objective tone in a manner that is appropriate to discipline, task, purpose and audience (W.9-10.1d and W.9-10.4)	□ Establishes, but does not maintain a formal style and objective tone in a manner that is appropriate to discipline, task, purpose and audience (W.9-10.1d and W.9-10.4)	pline,
	☐ Consistently and accurately integrates general academic and domain-specific vocabulary clearly appropriate to task, purpose and audience. (L.9-10.6)	☐ Often integrates general academic and domain-specific vocabulary appropriate to task, purpose and audience. (L.9-10.6)	□ Occasionally integrates general academic and domain-specific vocabulary appropriate to task, purpose and audience. (L.9-10.6) □ Does not integrate accurate gener academic and domain-specific vocabulary (L.9-10.6)	al
	Purposefully and effectively use sentence structure, verb tense and punctuation to support the claim, establish tone and mood, and add clarity (W.8.4, L.8.3, L.8.1.D *)	☐ Adequately uses sentence structure, verb tense, and punctuation to support claim, establish tone and mood, and add clarity. (W.8.4, L.8.3, L.8.1d*)	☐ Minimally uses sentence structure, verb tense, and punctuation to support claim, establish tone and mood, and add clarity. (W.8.4, L.8.3, L.8.1d*) ☐ Does not use sentence structure, tense, and punctuation to support claim, establish tone and mood, and add clarity. (W.8.4, L.8.3, L.8.1d*)	
Conventions	☐ Demonstrates a strong command of the conventions of Standard English grammar (e.g. capitalization, punctuation, spelling) and usage (e.g. verb tense) (L.9-10.1-2)	☐ Demonstrates a adequate command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage (L.9-10.1-2)	□ Demonstrates a weak command of the conventions of Standard English grammar and usage (L.9-10.1-2) □ Does not demonstrate command of Standard English grammar and usage (L.9-10.1-2)	
	☐ Consistently follows a discipline appropriate standard format for citation to avoid plagiarism (W.9-10.8)	☐ Often follow a standard format for citation to avoid plagiarism (W.9-10.8)	☐ Occasionally follow a standard format for citation to avoid plagiarism (W.9-10.8) ☐ Does not follow standard format for citation to avoid plagiarism (W.9-10.8)	

^{*} There is no comparable language in the 9-10 standards. This language was inserted to ensure consistency from 8th grade to 12th grade.