

603-102-MQ The Western
Essay #1 Feedback Review & Body Paragraph Revision Template

Exercise Purpose

The purpose of today's exercise is to help you to gain proficiency with critical essay-writing skills, which will increase your grades on later essays.

Exercise Process

1. Reread your essay and read my prose feedback (your grade will not be indicated); I suggest you do this by reading your introduction, then reading my feedback on your introduction, then reading your first body paragraph, then reading my feedback on your first body paragraph, etc.
2. Note any questions you have (e.g. about essay writing, about my feedback, etc.) below.
3. Complete the Areas for Improvement section below to identify what you can improve.
4. Choose the body paragraph that was the most problematic and rewrite it in the Body Paragraph Revision section below, responding to my feedback in the process. I suggest you also consult the body paragraph structure guidelines that are stapled to your essay.
5. Submit this document to me in two ways before the end of the class: 1) upload an electronic copy to the Omnivox assignment I've created for that purpose and 2) print and submit a hardcopy to me.
6. Come see me to request an anonymous evaluation concerning a) the essay feedback and b) today's class; complete it and return it to me.
7. Come see me for a printed copy of your essay's grade and grading rubric.

My Role

Once students have finished reviewing their essays, reviewing my feedback and listing their questions, I will work one-on-one with students to address their questions. I will not review students' body paragraphs during today's class, but students are welcome to bring printed double-spaced versions to my office hours for review/discussion (please bring your essays and my feedback too).

Your name:

Questions

- 1.

Areas for Improvement

Name at least one general issue and up to three general issues that were problematic. Also, offer an example from your essay to illustrate each issue, and briefly explain how you will resolve/avoid each issue in a future essay.

First General Issue

Name/describe the issue:	
Give an example of the issue by referencing/quoting your essay:	
Explain how you will resolve/avoid the issue in the future:	

Second General Issue

Name/describe the issue:	
Give an example of the issue by referencing/quoting your essay:	
Explain how you will resolve/avoid the issue in the future:	

Third General Issue

Name/describe the issue:	
Give an example of the issue by referencing/quoting your essay:	
Explain how you will resolve/avoid the issue in the future:	

Body Paragraph Revision

In the space below, choose the body paragraph that seems to have been the most problematic and rewrite it, responding to my feedback in the process.