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		Yes	No	Somewhat (explain)
CONTENT	Is the essay about 1 of the 2 texts we read as a class?			
	Does the essay have a clear blend of SUMMARY (they say) and RESPONSE (I say)? Keep in mind that it's very likely that the first draft has too much summary and not enough response.			
	Does the author fairly and accurately represent the text?			
	Is the author's argument distinct from the text's argument?			
	Is the title so intriguing or exciting that you just can't resist reading on? (If not, offer an alternative!)			

STRUCTURE	Interesting introduction/conclusion paragraphs?			
	Is each paragraph focused on one main idea?			
	Are there clear transitions between ideas?			
	Does it seem to meet length requirements?			

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MECHANICS	Is the vocabulary and sentence structure varied?			
	Are there subject-verb or verb tense errors? (Mark on draft, too.)			
	Are there sentence fragments? (Mark on draft, too.)			
	Are there run-on sentences? (Mark on draft, too.)			
	Is there a Works Cited entry in MLA format?			
	Is every quotation in a "quotation sandwich"?			
	Are there in-text citations in MLA format?			
	Is all formatting correct (font, spacing, indents, title)?			

In 1-2 well-developed paragraphs on a separate sheet), please write the author a final comment about his or her essay. In your comment, be sure to describe what you see this draft doing (including its main argument) and offer questions and comments to help guide revision. Bring 2 copies of your final comment to class.