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Rubric: Choice Book essay

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| Element | Exceeds Expectations | Meets Expectations | Below Expectations | Missing |
| Introduction:   * Has attention getter that is appropriate * Contains background information appropriate to essay * Has a thesis statement that includes dominant American values and theme |  |  |  |  |
| Body Paragraphs   * Contain a topic sentence that clearly introduces paragraph * Use claims that clearly introduce evidence * Have evidence that proves the claim, is sufficient to be understood, and is cited correctly * Have analysis that clearly explains the evidence and ties theme and characters together * Have a concluding sentence that summarizes important points in paragraph |  |  |  |  |
| Conclusion   * Summarizes important points of the essay * Explains the “so what/why is this important” * Ties up loose ends in essay |  |  |  |  |
| Conventions   * Includes a correctly-formatted works cited page * Internally cites evidence correctly * Contains few MUGS errors * Uses academic language throughout * Uses appropriate transitions to lead reader through essay * No I’s, you’s, we’s, etc. |  |  |  |  |

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