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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
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| 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
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| Conclusion* Summarizes important points of the essay
* Explains the “so what/why is this important”
* Ties up loose ends in essay
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| 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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