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Content, argument, and structure:

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|  | Does the essay accurately and effectively convey the articles’ purpose and audience? |  | Is the essay well paragraphed, with each paragraph focused on a specific point, and neither too long nor undeveloped? |
|  | Does the essay clearly identify the thesis or main idea for both articles? |  | Does the essay flow smoothly, with effective transitions and a logical sequence of points? |
|  | Do you effectively demonstrate your points by quoting appropriate passages? |  | Does your introduction engage the reader’s attention and make your focus clear? |
|  | Do you consistently set quotations up properly, cite them as instructed, and comment on them effectively? |  | Does the essay conclude properly or merely stop? |
|  | Do you effectively contrast the two articles? |  | Is the essay the proper length? |
|  | Do you avoid inappropriate evaluation? |  |  |

Grammar, style, and format:

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|  | Overall clarity |  | Plural/possessive confusion |
|  | Fragments |  | Pronoun problems, including issues with antecedents |
|  | Comma splices and other run-on sentences |  | Word choice and vocabulary problems |
|  | Other punctuation errors |  | Spelling, capitalization, typographical errors, and other signs of carelessness |
|  | Subject-verb agreement problems |  | Document formatting errors |
|  | Syntax problems, including dangling participles and misplaced modifiers |  | Concision |
|  | Part of speech problems, including verb-form errors |  | Variety of sentence structure and length |
|  | Tense problems, including tense shifting |  | Phrasing and voice |

Scores: For most of these categories, a √+ = 100%, a √ = 85, a √- = 75, and a – = 70. For the last three categories (concision, variety of sentence structure and length, and phrasing and voice), a √+ = 110%, a √ = 100, a √- = 90, and a – = 80.

Reflective commentary:

Average score for the essay’s content:

Average score for the essay’s grammar, style, and format:

Multiply these scores together (\_\_%), then multiply by the 10 points available for this assignment: \_\_ points, plus reflective commentary bonus (\_\_) = \_\_\_ points

Peer response:

Explanation: