

Peer Review for Crime and Puzzlement Essay

Author _____ class per _____

Editor _____

Author directions: Fill in the 'author information' on this paper. Keep this paper to submit with your final essay.

Editor directions: Before you read the essay, fill in your name as the 'editor'. Then as you read the essay, put a check next to each requirement completed.

Organization:

Introductory paragraph:

- _____ Author provided an interesting hook.
- _____ Author provides background information about the crime.
- _____ Author provides a claim that states innocence or guilt.
- _____ Author introduces the three pieces he/she will use in the essay as part of the claim.

Body paragraph 1:

- _____ Author started the paragraph with a transition and used transitions to guide the reader throughout the paragraph.
- _____ Author includes a topic sentence that introduces a piece of evidence.
- _____ Author explains the rule that applies to the evidence effectively.
- _____ Author provides the conclusion that was reached.

Body paragraph 2:

- _____ Author started the paragraph with a transition and used transitions to guide the reader throughout the paragraph.
- _____ Author includes a topic sentence that introduces a piece of evidence.
- _____ Author explains the rule that applies to the evidence effectively.
- _____ Author provides the conclusion that was reached.

Body paragraph 3:

- _____ Author started the paragraph with a transition and used transitions to guide the reader throughout the paragraph.
- _____ Author includes a topic sentence that introduces a piece of evidence.
- _____ Author explains the rule that applies to the evidence effectively.
- _____ Author provides the conclusion that was reached.

Counterclaim paragraph:

- _____ Author includes a specific counterclaim (an argument from the opposing side)
- _____ Author explains the reasoning of the opposing side.
- _____ Author includes a rebuttal (explanation of why the opposing argument is not correct).
- _____ Author provides additional details/elaborations to explain the rebuttal
- _____ Author provided information that was not repeated from another paragraph.
- _____ Author uses correct transitions (from the red sheet) to clarify information from the reader.

Concluding paragraph:

- _____ Author includes a sentence that restates the claim of innocence or guilt
- _____ Author reviews the three pieces of evidence used in the report.
- _____ Author provides final thoughts/plea.

Conventions:

- _____ The essay was free from punctuation errors and was easy to read.
- _____ The essay was free from spelling errors.