## Writing III (WC) Assessment

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CRITERIA	ADVANCED	PROFICIENT	BASIC	UNSATISFACTORY
Fulfills the assignment purpose Assessment method (assignment/task assessed):	The paper responds fully and effectively to the assignment. The topic is appropriate.	The paper is an acceptable response to the assignment. Some aspects of the overall task may be slighted.	The paper is a somewhat acceptable response to the assignment. Many aspects of the overall task are missing.	Overall, the paper is an inadequate response to the assignment.
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Thesis Assessment method (assignment/task assessed):	The writer develops a specific thesis that controls the paper.	There is a consistent thesis, but it may not be developed fully.	The thesis may be unclear or implicit, and may change throughout the paper.	The thesis is unclear or difficult to identify.
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Organization & logic Assessment method (assignment/task assessed):	The organization is very clear and captures the designated purpose. There is a logical progression of ideas. The introduction is inviting and challenging, and appropriate to the topic or thesis. The conclusion is purposeful and perceptive.	The organization is generally clear and captures the purpose. For the most part, there is a logical progression of ideas. The introduction sets the stage for the rest of the paper. The conclusion provides satisfying closure to the argument.	The organization is somewhat unclear. The progression of ideas is often not logical. The introduction generally matches the topic and is somewhat effective. The conclusion summarizes previously stated information.	The organization is unclear and does not capture the purpose. The ideas are illogical. The introduction is overly general, missing, misleading, or ineffective. The conclusion is absent, incomplete, or unfocused.
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Significance of claims/analysis of ideas Assessment method (assignment/task assessed):	Claims and ideas are significant and stated clearly and effectively. The writer confidently analyzes and interprets possible meanings, going beyond the obvious.	The writer is generally able to state ideas and claims clearly, and can analyze and interpret their meaning.	There may be ideas and claims, but interpretation is often missing and the analysis is weak.	Claims and ideas are simplistic, uneven in quality, and lacking relevance. Analysis and interpretation are absent.
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Quality of evidence/information Assessment method (assignment/task assessed):	Claims and ideas are supported by a variety of relevant facts, examples, and details. The writer consistently integrates sources to support, extend, and inform, but not to substitute writer's own development of ideas.	Claims and ideas are supported by facts, examples, and details. The writer generally uses relevant sources to support, extend, and inform, but not to substitute writer's own development of idea.	Some claims and ideas are supported by facts, examples, and details. The evidence/ information are uneven and may be inaccurate. The sources are not well integrated.	Claims and ideas are supported by few facts, examples, and details. Evidence/information is vague, missing or inaccurate. Details and facts are inappropriate and off- topic. The writer neglects important sources and/or substitutes sources for original ideas.
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Voice/understanding of audience Assessment method (assignment/task assessed):	The writer uses a consistent and appropriate voice for the audience. The writer skillfully anticipates the reader's needs.	The writer uses an appropriate voice for the audience, although the sense of audience may be uneven at times (i.e. more or less details given than needed). The stance may be somewhat tentative and meets the readers' needs with some skill.	Voice is largely indistinct or inconsistent and shows little regard for the audience.	Voice is noticeably generic or inappropriate. There is no awareness of the needs of the audience.
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Mechanics of format (e.g. margins, font, subheadings) Assessment method (assignment/task assessed):	The format is consistently correct and appropriate to the assignment and discipline.	The format is generally correct and appropriate, with minor exceptions.	The format is often incorrect and/or inappropriate. There are several formatting issues and problems.	The format is incorrect and/or inappropriate.
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Use of graphics (e.g. illustrations, charts, graphs, tables) Assessment method (assignment/task assessed):	The writer displays effective, clear graphic material.	The writer displays graphic material that is generally effective and clear.	The graphics are frequently ineffective, unevenly developed, or unclear.	The graphics are poorly presented, ineffective, or inadequate.
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Documentation Assessment method (assignment/task assessed):	The writer nearly always employs citations and documentation styles appropriate to the disciplinary task.	References are cited and documented, but may contain errors.	References are not consistent. Documentation style is inappropriate.	References are not cited.
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Usage (e.g. grammar, syntax, punctuation, spelling) Assessment method (assignment/task assessed):	There are only a few errors in syntax, grammar, punctuation, and/or spelling, and these do not interfere with the reading and understanding of this text.	There are some errors in syntax, grammar, punctuation, and/or spelling, which may disrupt the flow of reading.	There are many errors in syntax, grammar, punctuation, and/or spelling, which interfere with communication and damage the writer's credibility.	There are countless errors in syntax, grammar, punctuation, and/or spelling which impede effective communication. Reader has to reread parts of the essay in order to comprehend them.
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Style/word choice Assessment method (assignment/task assessed):	The writer has full command of complex sentence structure and uses effectively for the assignment. The writer successfully uses appropriate words from the disclipline. Words are precise.	The writer uses sentence structure with some variance, which is mostly correct. Word choice is appropriate to the task. The writer generally uses appropriate words from the discipline.	The writer tends to use basic, choppy, and/or structurally repetitive sentences. Many words are not precise or appropriate to discipline.	The writer repeatedly uses basic, choppy, and/or structurally repetitive. Word-choice errors are frequent. Discipline- specific language is lacking.
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