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ENG4U Essay—Break it down!

Essay title: _____ Author _____

1. What is the main topic of this essay? (3 marks)

2. How does the author develop his/her argument? Consider format. (2 marks)

3. Consider the writer's voice. How has the author enhanced his/her writing? Identify as many devices as you can (*at least three*) and explain the effectiveness of each. (6 marks)

4. Complete the following chart: [10 marks total]

The essay thesis is: (2 marks)



The big ideas/major points are: (3 marks)



The details/evidence to support this are: (3 marks)



Conclusion & Extension—what does he/she want you to do? Or, what are the extensions for further thought? (2 marks)

5. Essay critique—what, if any, ideas/examples were particularly strong or weak? Was the author's style and voice effective for the purpose and audience? (5 marks)