

Rubric for Unit 4 Essay

Please read this rubric before beginning to write your essay. Consider what separates an outstanding essay from a satisfactory essay and try to do your best to meet the “Outstanding” guidelines. After you have finished writing your essay, compare it to the sample essay.

Content	Outstanding	Satisfactory	Needs Improvement
Terminology	The essay demonstrates a full understanding of the Dada movement and the concept of the Avant-Garde.	The essay demonstrates a partial understanding of the Dada movement, only touching on some of its visual characteristics.	The essay fails to discuss the Dada movement in accurate detail.
Artists	The essay identifies at least 2 key artists associated with the Dada movement and discusses their work in detail.	The essay identifies 1 key artist associated with the Dada movement and discusses his/her work in detail.	The essay identifies 1 artist but demonstrates little knowledge of his/her body of work.
Modern Art in Context	The essay specifies how and why the Dada movement is important to modern art.	The essay attempts to connect Dada movement and modern art but cites few details as to why.	The essay fails to make connections, and furthermore it demonstrates little knowledge of what it means for a movement to be modern.
Historical Accuracy	The essay demonstrates knowledge of how the Dada movement influenced subsequent modern movements, citing specific examples.	The essay makes a strong attempt to cite examples of later movements that were influenced by Dada	The essay fails to make a connection, or does so inaccurately, thus demonstrating a lack of knowledge of how Dada influenced further modern developments.

Grammar, Spelling, and Mechanics	The essay is logically organized and free of grammar and spelling errors.	The essay is well organized and contains few grammar and spelling errors.	The essay is poorly organized and contains many grammar and spelling errors.
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