

## Character Analysis Paragraph Rubric

The paragraph has a thoughtful topic sentence that clearly identifies a main personality trait of the protagonist. The character name and novel are identified.	4	3	2	1
The character trait identified in the topic sentence is well supported with accurate evidence from the text. The writer uses the protagonist's actions, dialogue, feelings, and thoughts as evidence. These relevant, telling, quality details give the reader important information that goes beyond the obvious or predictable.	4	3	2	1
One direct quote from the novel is used to illustrate the protagonist's personality trait. The quote was selected for its quality, depth, and/or uniqueness. It would have been difficult to paraphrase or rewrite without losing some of the power of the quote.	4	3	2	1
Evidence is placed in a logical order and the way they are presented effectively keeps the interest of the reader. It is obvious this paragraph was well thought out. The writer follows the plan they laid out in their outline.	4	3	2	1
A concluding sentence wraps the paragraph up nicely by reiterating the protagonist's personality trait. The reader feels a sense of closure and that there was a purpose for reading this paragraph.	4	3	2	1