**April Raintree Research Paper Rubric**

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| **Content x2** | -addresses all aspects of the topic/question  - has a minimum of 5 researched facts  - makes 3+ strong, relevant connections to the novel | addresses most aspects of the topic/question  - has a minimum of 4 researched facts  - makes 3 relevant connections to the novel | addresses some aspects of the topic/question  - has a minimum of 3-2 researched facts  - makes 2 relevant connections to the novel | attempts some aspects of the topic/question  - has a minimum of 2 researched facts  - attempts to the novel are weak and trivial | - barely answers the questions  Facts are irrelevant and barely mentioned  No attempt at connecting to the novel |
| **In-text Citations**  **/Paraphrasing** | -all supportive facts are documented accurately  -has the minimum required (5) | -almost all supportive facts are documented accurately  -has 4 in-text citations | -most supportive facts are documented accurately  -has 3 in-text citations | -attempts to document some borrowed material but many are done inaccurately  -has 2 in-text citations | -in-text citations are barely or not existent (1) |
| **Organization** | -organizes ideas logically and coherently  -creates a superior topic sentence  -creates a superior concluding sentence | -organizes most ideas logically and coherently  -creates a very good topic sentence  -creates a very good concluding sentence | -organizes some ideas logically and coherently  -topic sentence is stated along with concluding sentence | -organizes few ideas logically and coherently  -creates an adequate introduction  -creates an adequate conclusion | -lacks organization and coherence  -introduction is very weak/ineffective  -conclusion is very weak/ineffective |
| **Works Cited** | -completed accurately with no errors  -exceeds the minimum required amount  -in alphabetical order  -only those sources that are used in the paper are listed in the Works Cited | -completed fairly accurately but has 1 – 3 errors  -meets the minimum required amount | -completed somewhat accurately but has 3 – 5 errors  -has one less than the minimum required amount | -has many errors (> 5)  -has 2 less than the required amount  -not in alphabetical order  -lists sources that are not used in the paper | -barely acceptable  -not in alphabetical order |
| **Mechanics** | -employs perfect or nearly perfect mechanics (\ | -displays a couple of mechanical errors | -displays a few mechanical errors that do not impede clarity | -displays a few mechanical errors that do impede clarity | -displays numerous errors which impede clarity |

**TOTAL: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ /30**