**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 questionsFacts 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**