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Evaluation of Your Essay

This evaluation rubric on the right will help you understand what you need to do when you write your essay. It tells how the essay will be evaluated. You can see that establishing a topic for the paragraphs, and keeping to the topic is an important factor in the evaluation. Use the chart to help you make sure you include everything you need in your two-paragraph essay.

Essay Requirements

Remember that the requirements for the essay are to compose two paragraphs that compare and contrast water use by children in villages in Kenya and Tanzania with water use by children in our region of the United States. The paragraphs must:

- Contain six examples of water use
- Consider these factors:
 - Time spent
 - Types of activities
 - Number of activities
- Use the stories and photos from Kenya and Tanzania as sources
- Cite two features of culture from our list.

Essay Rubric

Area	Points	Descriptors
Content Accuracy	/30	The student: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Used six examples of water use in the essay.• Used photos and stories as sources and presented the material accurately.• Compared and contrasted time spent, types, and number of activities.
Content Depth	/20	The student: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Used material from Kenya and Tanzania in the paragraphs.• Used two or more features of culture in each paragraph.
Process	/10	The student: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Used the Research Graphic Organizer and the Water Log to frame the work.
Presentation and Neatness	/30	The student: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Used topic sentences.• Stayed on the topic identified in the topic sentence.• Used correct spelling, punctuation, and grammar.• Excluded unnecessary information.
Creativity	/10	The student: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Interpreted and presented the data in an original manner.
Total	/100	