

FLAT 5-PARAGRAPH ESSAY ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

0-1	The essay has no/very little intelligible, sufficient communication.
2-3	<p>The essay has serious problems in organization and development.</p> <p>The essay has few or no ideas to support the thesis statement.</p> <p>The essay has very simple language structures with frequent major errors.</p> <p>The essay has almost no variety of vocabulary with frequent major inaccuracies.</p> <p>The essay is full of spelling, punctuation and capitalization errors that may cause difficulty for the reader.</p>
4-5	<p>The essay needs improvement in organization and development.</p> <p>The essay has a lot of irrelevant ideas and/or ideas that do not support the thesis statement well.</p> <p>The essay is dominated by simple language structures with only a limited variety of complexity and some major errors.</p> <p>The essay has a limited variety of vocabulary with some major inaccuracies.</p> <p>The essay has frequent spelling, punctuation and capitalization errors but these do not cause difficulty for the reader.</p>
6-7	<p>The essay is organized and developed adequately, but not fully.</p> <p>The essay has some irrelevant ideas and/or ideas that do not support the thesis statement well.</p> <p>The essay has a mix of simple and complex language structures with few major errors.</p> <p>The essay has some variety of vocabulary with few major inaccuracies.</p> <p>The essay has some spelling, punctuation and capitalization errors.</p>
8-9	<p>The essay is generally well organized and developed.</p> <p>The essay has sufficient ideas that support the thesis statement but may include some repetition.</p> <p>The essay has a variety of complex language structures with some minor errors.</p> <p>The essay has a sufficient variety of vocabulary with some minor inaccuracies.</p> <p>The essay has few spelling, punctuation and capitalization errors.</p>
10	<p>The essay is very well organized and developed.</p> <p>The essay has clear and well-developed ideas that support the thesis statement without any repetition.</p> <p>The essay has a wide variety of complex language structures with few minor errors.</p> <p>The essay has a wide variety of vocabulary with few minor inaccuracies.</p> <p>The essay has very few spelling, punctuation and capitalization errors.</p>

Discrepancy of more than 2 points requires reassessment/negotiation.