

Signs of the Times Project Rubric

Use this rubric to guide you while you work on your project. It will be used to assign you a grade.

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Sources			
I use a variety of relevant primary sources and appropriate secondary sources from the era of the novel.	I use some relevant primary and secondary sources from the era of the novel.	I use at least one relevant primary source from the era of the novel.	I do not use any primary sources.
Analysis			
I use multiple analysis strategies to identify a relevant trend or pattern related to a political, social, or cultural theme in the novel.	From my data, I identify a relevant trend or pattern related to a political, social, or cultural theme in the novel.	I identify a pattern related to a political, social, or cultural theme in the novel from my data, although it may be based on incomplete data or superficial analysis.	I do not identify a pattern from my data.
Conclusions			
From my data analysis, I draw interesting and relevant conclusions about my hypothetical persona's views of a theme in the novel.	From my data analysis, I draw relevant conclusions about my hypothetical persona's views of a theme in the novel.	I draw conclusions about my hypothetical persona's views of a theme in the novel.	I do not draw conclusions about my hypothetical persona's views of a theme in the novel.
Literary Support			
I make numerous specific references to the novel to support my conclusions.	I make specific references to the novel to support my conclusions.	I make vague references to the novel to support my conclusions.	I do not make references to the novel to support my conclusions.

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Product or Presentation			
I use an appropriate format for my final project, and creatively use language and technology features to communicate my point of view effectively.	I use an appropriate format for my final project, and use language and technology features to communicate my point of view effectively.	The language, format, and technology features I use in my project sometimes distract from my point of view.	I do not communicate my point of view in my project because of ineffective use of language, format, and technology features.
Project Content			
<p>I creatively include all project requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An appropriate title that engages readers and viewers • A summary of the novel and its theme(s) • A description of the persona that explains his or her relevance to a theme in the novel. • An explanation of the primary and secondary sources I used, with citation information • A piece of writing from the persona's point of view describing his or her feelings about the theme in the book 	I include all project requirements.	I include most of the project requirements.	I include two or fewer project requirements.