

AP RUBRICS

AP English Language and Composition FRQ Rubric (Synthesis / Rhetorical Analysis / Argument)

Grades 9-12

6 points total

3 criteria

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The AP English Language and Composition FRQ Rubric (Synthesis / Rhetorical Analysis / Argument) scored out of 6 points across 3 criteria, for synthesis, rhetorical analysis, argument writing at grades 9-12.

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How it is scored

CRITERION	POINTS	LEVELS
Thesis	1	2
Evidence and Commentary	4	5
Sophistication	1	2
Total	6	

What each criterion measures

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- **Thesis** is worth 1 of the 6 points, scored across 2 levels.
- **Evidence and Commentary** is worth 4 of the 6 points, scored across 5 levels.
- **Sophistication** is worth 1 of the 6 points, scored across 2 levels.

Scoring record

Student	Assignment	Date
CRITERION	SCORE	COMMENTS
Thesis	/ 1	
Evidence and Commentary	/ 4	
Sophistication	/ 1	
Total	/ 6	

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