

**Directions:** Complete each item in the check list below.

1. Circle the nouns in the piece. Verify an adjective appears before the noun.
2. \_\_\_\_ / 1 Underline the metaphor.
3. \_\_\_\_ / 1 Underline the simile.
4. \_\_\_\_ / 1 Underline the personification.
5. \_\_\_\_ / 4 Verify each paragraph has varying sentence structure (simple/compound/complex/compound-complex). Note when students need to vary the sentence structure.
6. Identify errors in punctuation. Write directly on the essay to fix those errors.
7. \_\_\_\_ / 3 Utilize only descriptive verbs. Eliminate “to be” verbs. Write suggestions for students to fix “to be” verb errors. Remove one point for every three “to be” verbs that are written.

Total: \_\_\_\_ / 10 Points