

Numerical Grade Sheet. ENGL 400.

Your final grade for each and every formal assessment will be based on four different elements: [1] Format, [2] Effort, [3] Structure, and [4] Content. Please refer to this document during the writing process; it'll help guide you toward a stronger paper and, ultimately, a higher grade. Doing so will also illuminate your strengths, and you'll know exactly from where any-and-all point deductions are coming.

1. Format

- a. Title, Headers, Font, Page Numbers, Spacing, and Margins _____/12%

*As you can see, "1.a." has six items and is worth 12%.
For each missing and/or compromised item, 2% will be deducted.*

- b. Properly Constructed Works Cited Page [MLA Formatting] _____/10%

*Be sure to embrace the MLA section of the Purdue OWL!
Here's the URL: <https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/>*

- c. Aesthetic Consistency _____/06%

2. Effort

- a. Overall Energy and Devotion _____/01%

*This is a "gimme." Papers submitted on time will automatically
receive the 1% unless it's written in crayon on, like, a cocktail napkin.*

3. Structure

- a. Strong Thesis Statement _____/12%

*Your thesis statement—the sentence you'll spend the entire paper
defending—must be the final sentence of your opening paragraph.*

- b. Grammar, Spelling, Mechanics, and Usage _____/06%

- c. Categorically Maintains Third-Person Point-of-View _____/06%

- d. Concluding Paragraph Echoes Thesis Statement _____/06%

- e. Internal Citations [MLA Formatting] _____/10%

4. Content

- a. Avoids Redundancy _____/06%

- b. Maintaining Narrow Argument/Required Length _____/12%

- c. Articulate Arguments Proves Thesis Statement _____/12%

- d. Smooth Transitions Between Paragraphs _____/01%

Final Percentage Grade: _____/100%

Final Point-Value Grade: _____/____¹

¹The point values for formal assessments vary. See syllabus.