

**JUDGE'S FORM
ESSAY WRITING**

Name _____ Date _____
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 Title of Entry _____
 Theme _____ Number of words _____

AREAS OF EVALUATION	POSSIBLE POINTS	POINTS AWARDED
Theme —Essay demonstrates an evangelistic, inspirational, Biblical, Christian growth, patriotic, persuasive, or historical theme should be given in a precise thesis statement which is examined and discussed logically	10	_____
Composition		
Essential points given logically and stated in parallel form	15	_____
Use of examples and illustrations	10	_____
Cogency and unity—everything in the essay directly supports the thesis	10	_____
Valid argument and persuasion without exhortation or preaching; strong closing statement	10	_____
Creativity and individuality of presentation	10	_____
Outline included; properly followed and formatted	5	_____
Mechanics		
Neatness, general appearance	5	_____
Spelling, punctuation, grammar (subject-verb agreement, pronoun agreement, no misplaced modifiers, etc.)	15	_____
Progression of ideas and argument/transitions, length of paragraphs	5	_____
Proper documentation submitted	5	_____
TOTAL POINTS	100	_____

NOTE: As many as 10 points may be subtracted if essay is not between 500 and 700 words in length.

COMMENTS _____

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