10.4.2 Mid-Unit Text Analysis Rubric

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Criteria	4 – Responses at this Level:	3 – Responses at this Level:	2 – Responses at this Level:	1 – Responses at this Level:
Content and Analysis The extent to which the response analyzes how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RL.9-10.5 Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to	Skillfully analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.	Analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.	Inaccurately analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.	Inaccurately analyze how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) and inaccurately identify how those choices create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise.
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Command of Evidence and Reasoning The extent to which the response examines and conveys complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.9-10.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.9-10.2.b Develop the topic with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic.	Develop the response and support analysis with well-chosen, relevant, and sufficient facts, extended definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic. (W.9-10.2.b)	Develop the response and support analysis with relevant and sufficient facts, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic. (W.9-10.2.b)	Partially develop the response and partially support analysis with relevant facts, details, quotations, or other information and examples that are appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic. (W.9-10.2.b)	Do not develop the response or support analysis with relevant facts, details, quotations, or other information and examples that are appropriate to the audience's knowledge of the topic. (W.9-10.2.b)
The extent to which the response draws evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.9-10.9 Draw evidence from literary or informational texts to support analysis, reflection, and research. The extent to which responses apply grade 9-10				

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Reading standards to literature. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.9-10.9.a Apply grades 9-10 Reading standards to literary nonfiction (e.g., "Analyze how an author draws on and transforms source material in a specific work [e.g., how Shakespeare treats a theme or topic from Ovid or the Bible or how a later author draws on a play by Shakespeare]"). Coherence, Organization, and Style	Skillfully introduce a topic; effectively	Introduce a topic; effectively organize	Introduce a topic; inconsistently	Ineffectively introduce a topic;
The extent to which the response introduces a topic, organizes complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.9-10.2 Write informative/explanatory texts to examine and convey complex ideas, concepts, and information clearly and accurately through the effective selection, organization, and analysis of content. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.9-10.2.a Introduce a topic; organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions; include formatting (e.g., headings), graphics (e.g., figures, tables), and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. The extent to which the response uses appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.9-10.2.c Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. The extent to which the response uses appropriate and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. The extent to which the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. The extent to which the response includes and uses	organizes complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions. (W.9- 10.2.a) Skillfully use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. (W.9-10.2.c) Skillfully and accurately use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic. (W.9-10.2.d) Skillfully establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone appropriate to the norms and conventions of the discipline. (W.9- 10.2.e) Skillfully provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented. (W.9-10.2.f)	complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions. (W.9- 10.2.a) Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. (W.9-10.2.c) Accurately use precise language or domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic. (W.9- 10.2.d) Establish a style and tone appropriate to the discipline; demonstrate inconsistent use of formality and objectivity. (W.9-10.2.e) Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented. (W.9-10.2.f)	organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions. (W.9- 10.2.a) Inconsistently use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. (W.9- 10.2.c) Inconsistently use domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic. (W.9-10.2.d) Use inconsistent style and tone with some attention to formality and objectivity. (W.9-10.2.e) Provide a concluding statement or section that partially follows from and supports the information or explanation presented. (W.9-10.2.f)	ineffectively introduce a topic, ineffectively organize complex ideas, concepts and information to make important connections and distinctions. (W.9-10.2.a) Ineffectively use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts. (W.9-10.2.c) Ineffectively or inappropriately use precise language or domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic. (W.9-10.2.d) Lack a formal style, using language that is basic, imprecise, or contextually inappropriate. (W.9-10.2.e) Ineffectively provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented. (W.9-10.2.f)
precise language and domain specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.				

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CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.9-10.2.d Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to manage the complexity of the topic.				
The extent to which the response properly uses formal style and objective tone as well as adheres to the writing conventions of the discipline.				
CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.9-10.2.e Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone while attending to the norms and conventions of the discipline in which they are writing.				
The extent to which the response provides a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).				
CCSS.ELA-Literacy.W.9-10.2.f Provide a concluding statement or section that follows from and supports the information or explanation presented (e.g., articulating implications or the significance of the topic).				
Control of Conventions The extent to which the response demonstrates command of conventions of standard English grammar, usage, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.9-10.1 Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.L.9-10.2	Demonstrate consistent control of conventions with essentially no errors, even with sophisticated language.	Demonstrate basic control of conventions with occasional errors that do not hinder comprehension.	Demonstrate partial control of conventions with some errors that hinder comprehension.	Demonstrate little control of conventions with frequent errors that make comprehension difficult.
Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.				

• A response that is a personal response and makes little or no reference to the task or text can be scored no higher than a 1.

• A response that is totally copied from the text with no original writing must be given a 0.

• A response that is totally unrelated to the task, illegible, incoherent, blank, or unrecognizable as English must be scored as a 0.

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10.4.2 Mid-Unit Text Analysis Checklist

Assessed Standards:

	Does my writing	•
Content and Analysis	Analyze in detail how an author's choices concerning how to structure a text, order events within it (e.g., parallel plots), and manipulate time (e.g., pacing, flashbacks) create such effects as mystery, tension, or surprise? (RL.9-10.5)	
Command of Evidence and Reasoning	Develop the response and support analysis with well- chosen, relevant, and sufficient evidence? (W.9-10.2.b, W.9- 10.9.a)	
Coherence, Organization,	Introduce a topic? (W.9-10.2.a)	
and Style	Organize complex ideas, concepts, and information to make important connections and distinctions? (W.9-10.2.a)	
	Use appropriate and varied transitions to link the major sections of the text, create cohesion, and clarify the relationships among complex ideas and concepts? (W.9-10.2.c)	
	Establish and maintain a formal style and objective tone, using precise language and domain-specific vocabulary? (W.9-10.2.d,e)	
	Provide a concluding statement or section related to the explanation or analysis? (W.9-10.2.f)	
Control of Conventions	Demonstrate control of the conventions with infrequent errors? (L.9-10.1, L.9-10.2)	

