

The Thief and the Beanstalk Writing Assignment

Your writing piece for this quarter is three short answer responses. You will choose three of your best responses from your writer's notebook and take them through the writing process. You have already brainstormed and drafted. Type your three responses, revise them – make them the best that you can - and finally edit your responses for correctness.

Your responses must be typed in size 12 font or bigger and double spaced. Your three typed and printed responses will be due on _____.

Below is the rubric for this short answer writing piece. This is a MAJOR grade, so please put forth your best effort.

Short Answer Response (SAR) Rubric

	Excellent (4 pts.)	Good (3pts.)	Acceptable (2pts.)	Needs Improvement (1pt.)
Restate the Question	The original prompt is clearly restated as a complete sentence including a clearly stated opinion.	The original prompt is mostly restated as a complete sentence including an opinion.	The original prompt is somewhat restated as a complete sentence but includes a broad opinion.	The original prompt is NOT restated as a complete sentence and includes a overly-broad opinion.
Supporting Text Evidence	The text evidence used to support the idea is specific to the opinion and well chosen . Overall, the evidence very strongly supports the opinion.	The text evidence is mostly specific to the opinion and mostly supports the opinion.	The text evidence is weak or too broad for the opinion and is only slightly connected to the opinion.	The text evidence is NOT related to the opinion and does NOT support the opinion.
Connect Text Evidence to Answer	The connection between the opinion and ALL the supporting text evidence is clearly thought out and thoroughly explained.	The connection between the opinion and most of the supporting text evidence is mostly thought out and explained.	The connection between the opinion and the supporting text evidence is weak and only roughly explained.	The connection between the restated answer and the supporting text evidence is NOT clearly explained.
Conventions	No errors in spelling, punctuation, and conventions.	A few errors in spelling, punctuation, and conventions.	Many errors in spelling, punctuation, and conventions.	A lack of editing for spelling, punctuation, and conventions is evident.