Memoir Essay Rubric- English II

	Criteria	Yes, clearly evident and developed	Not quite, but may be emerging or partially developed	Not evident
Format	Is typed in MLA format	1	.5	0
	Has an introduction, body, conclusion and is at least four paragraphs	1	.5	0
	Paragraphs are well-developed with strong topic sentences	1	.5	0
	Includes an interesting lead and strong closing	1	.5	0
Style	Is written in first person point of view	1	.5	0
	Includes mostly action verbs instead of linking verbs	1	.5	0
	Writer uses sentence variety (long & short)	1	.5	0
	Paragraphs transition smoothly from one to the next	1	.5	0
	Writer elaborates with sufficient and appropriate sensory details	1	.5	0
	Incorporates at least one element of figurative language	1	.5	0
Mechanics	Is free from errors wherein an effort to proofread and edit is evident	1	.5	0
	TOTAL			

A papers will meet most or all of the criteria above	8.5-11 points
B papers will meet some of the criteria	6.5-8 points
C papers will meet a few of the criteria	5-6 points
D papers will attempt the criteria	4.5-5 points