

## PEER REVIEW WORKSHEET

### Paper 3 - Summary/Strong response

Read through your classmate's paper once without making any marks. Read for comprehension, trying to understand the paper's thesis, structure, points and support.

Now read the paper again, noting areas where you're unsure what's meant or see problems that need to be addressed. As you read, answer the following questions. Do not give simple yes or no answers; explain how the paper succeeds or doesn't in each of these areas. Use a separate sheet of paper for your answers.

1. Introduction: Does the introduction give adequate context for the paper-: does it explain the writer's purpose? does it provide a thesis? does it provide adequate transition to the next section of the paper?
2. Thesis: What is the paper's thesis? What does it say about the essay being written about? What does it say about the paper writer's own perspective on or response to the essay s/he chose?
3. Summary: Does the writer provide an accurate and effective summary of the essay s/he chose? Does the summary indicate the thesis of the essay being written about? Is it concise yet thorough (meaning, does it cover all the main points of the essay without extending beyond a page or two)? What would make the summary better?
4. Strong response: Does the writer provide a smooth transition from the summary to his/her response? Does the writer show clearly which points belong to the essay s/he's responding to and which are his/her own? Does the writer clearly state his/her response(s) to the essay's main idea and supporting points? Does s/he provide good support/explanation of his/her own points?
5. Conclusion: Does the writer effectively tie up the points made in the paper in the concluding paragraph(s)?
6. Is the paper formatted according to MLA style? Is it free from errors in spelling, grammar and mechanics?
7. Overall impression: Are the ideas presented in the paper well-developed? Does the writer seem to have thought through the essay and his/her response to it thoroughly? Is the paper well-organized? What areas need to be improved?