

A Mighty Long Way
2017 Essay Contest
Judging Rubric

Name of Student: _____

School: _____

For each criterion listed, score the essay on a scale of 1-10, with 10 being the best score. Use a separate form for each essay.

1-2=Poor 3-4=Fair 5-6=Average 7-8=Above Average 9-10=Excellent

Criteria			Score
Understanding of the theme in question: To what extent did the writer demonstrate a clear understanding and interpretation of the theme?	9-10	In-depth understanding: key concepts/theme/issues/relationships identified, fully defined and extensively described	
	7-8	Good understanding: theme and key concepts identified, mostly defined and described	
	5-6	Average understanding: theme and key concepts identified, partially defined and described	
	3-4	Some understanding: theme and some concepts identified, minimally defined and described	
	1-2	Little understanding: theme and few concepts identified, inadequately defined or described	
Ideas relevant to the theme: To what extent are the ideas clearly elaborated with specific and relevant details and examples from <i>A Mighty Long Way</i> ?	9-10	Fully, relevant to the subject with many examples	
	7-8	Mostly relevant with few examples	
	5-6	Partially relevant with some examples	
	3-4	Somewhat relevant with limited examples	
	1-2	Little relevance with no examples	
Effectiveness in presenting a point-of-view: To what extent did the writer present his/her point of view?	9-10	Point-of-view clearly presented	
	7-8	Point-of-view presented	
	5-6	Point-of-view presented with minor misunderstanding	
	3-4	Point-of-view presented with significant misunderstanding	
	1-2	Point-of-view not clearly presented	
Organization: To what extent was the organization clear and effective?	9-10	Organization completely clear and effective	
	7-8	Organization relatively clear and effective	
	5-6	Satisfactory plan of organization	
	3-4	Somewhat organized	
	1-2	Weakness in organization	
		Total	

Judge: _____