LSN CURRENT EVENT RUBRIC

Level 4 50 Points

The two paragraphs: Summary paragraph (author's perspective and What I Feel section (student's perspective) SHOWS UNDERSTANDING of the article and CONNECTS to the LSN objectives. The response is insightful, integrates knowledge, and demonstrates powerful application.

- The application shows powerful evidence of higher order thinking skills.
- Concepts are accurate and well supported by examples/quotes, explaining examples/quotes, and identifying why the examples/quotes are important.
- Thesis statement connects to the author's perspective.
- Response provides clear and effective connection with LSN curriculum (example vocabulary, principles of government, and Constitution Preamble & Amendments).
- Identifies the concepts of Progress vs. Equity and incorporates ISPICE concepts.
- Author's perspective is identified and clearly stated (using IREAD principles).

Level 3 40 Points

The two paragraphs: Summary paragraph (author's perspective and What I Feel section (student's perspective) shows SOME UNDERSTANDING of the article and CONNECTS to the LSN objectives. The response includes appropriate application that demonstrates evidence of higher order thinking skills.

- The application shows some evidence of higher order thinking skills.
- Concepts are accurate and supported by examples/quotes, explaining examples/quotes, and identifying why the examples/quotes are important.
- Thesis statement connects to the author's perspective.
- There are no interfering misconceptions.
- The response may not develop all parts equally when connecting the LSN curriculum to the article.
- Identifies progress and equity without incorporating ISPICE concepts.
- Author's perspective is some what identified (using IREAD principles).

OBSERVATION: The response answers the question of HOW IT CONNECTS or the SO WHAT part of a response. Possible strategies to obtain HOTS are:

Using cause & effect	Applying analysis &	Comparing & contrasting
	evaluation	
Weighing & balancing	Applying relevant	Including an analogy that
competing interests.	knowledge from related	illuminates the knowledge
	fields of history, current	
	events, etc.	

Applying 3 the components above to support your answer will have good foundation of knowledge and builds the sides of the house with HOTS as support.

Level 2 30 Points

The two paragraphs: Summary paragraph (author's perspective and What I Feel section (student's perspective) shows SOME KNOWLEDGE of the article but DOES NOT CONNECT to the LSN objectives. The response shows knowledge of the article and is acceptable with some key ideas, but does not connect examples with higher order thinking skills. The response shows little to no evidence of application of Higher Order Thinking Skills (HOTS).

- The response includes some basic ideas.
- The response provides little or no support.
- There are minimal misconceptions.
- Does not clearly show the connection between the article and the LSN objectives.
- Author's/students perspective was not clearly discussed.

Level 1 20 Points

The two paragraphs: Summary paragraph (author's perspective and What I Feel section (student's perspective) SHOWS MINIMAL KNOWLEDGE of the article and DOES NOT connect the article to the LSN objectives, completed incorrectly or is irrelevant. The response is related to the project, but it is inadequate.

- The response includes incomplete or fragmented ideas or knowledge.
- There may be significant misconceptions.
- Author's/student's perspective was not discussed.

Level 0 0 Points

There is no summary/perspective or the article is passed off as the summary. There is no What I Feel section or the section is completely incorrect or irrelevant. There may be no response.

Knowledge and Understanding indicate the degree to which the response reflects a grasp of the article. The response indicates mastery that progresses from knowledge to understanding.