**Social 30-1 Introductory Writing Assignment:**

Are humans inherently good or bad?

Academics have always tried to describe humanity? Here is a simple question that is the crux of the debate on the nature of man. The answer depends on your own personal point of view.

Write a brief 5 paragraph essay in which you present your position on this question. Support you opinion with arguments and examples.

**Evaluation:**

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| **Criteria** | **5 Excellent** | **4 Proficient** | **3 Satisfactory** | **2 Limited** | **1 Poor** |
| Analysis of Issue/source  Comprehension of source, relates source to a perspective | Sophisticated, insightful and mature. It is internalized | Good understanding | Adequate, general understanding | Naïve, limited, superficial. The writer is vague or confused. | No apparent understanding The paper is inaccurate. |
| Argumentation (X2) Establishment of position. One or more logical arguments. Link between argument and position. | Judiciously chosen and developed arguments. | Logical and persuasive. | Straightforward and adequate. | Confusing, repetitive, contradictory, simplistic. | Irrelevant and/or illogical. |
| **Evidence: (X2)**  Relevant and accurate.  Reflects depth and breadth. | Sophisticated and deliberately chosen. Insightful | Demonstrates a solid grasp of social studies content. | There is a general understanding of social studies content. | Demonstrates confusion or oversimplification of social studies content. | Complete lack of understanding. |
| Expression  Organization  Vocabulary | Fluent, skillfully structured, and Precise | The writing is clear Vocabulary is appropriate and specific. | The writing is clear. Vocabulary is conventional and adequate | The writing lacks clarity and is awkward. Vocabulary is simplistic | Unclear and disorganized. Vocabulary is over generalized |
| Your Mark |  |  |  |  |  |