**TRIAL RESULTS**

**IN-CLASS ESSAY**

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| **1 P**  **(1)** | **I believe that Shawn Smith is/is not guilty, beyond the shadow of a doubt, of the attempted murder of his father. His sleepwalking defense is solid/dismissable.** |
| **2 P**  **(2-3)** | **On the night of December 24th, 1998, Shawn Smith …**   * **Summarize the event and trial.** |
| **3 P**  **(4-6)** | **The evidence and testimonies of the trial prove that Shawn is, indeed, guilty/not guilty.**   * **Explain and quote (indirectly) one witness’ statement.** * **Explain and quote (indirectly) one witness’ statement.** * **Explain any other factual impressions about the trial you think will prove your argument.** |
| **4 P**  **(2)** | * **Restate thesis (in other words or word reversal)** * **Clincher sentence** |

Things to keep in mind:

Yes! You can use “I” in this essay.

Yes! You can type this essay or handwrite it. If you type it, turn it into Turnitin.com

No, you will not be able to rewrite this essay.

Yes! This needs to be completed this class period.

Yes! The number in parentheses indicates a guideline for how many sentences should be in each paragraph.

**RUBRIC**

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| Grammar/  Punctuation | Perfect! | 1-2 errors | 3-4 errors | More than 5 |
| Structure | Essay includes a topic sentence, transitions, follows the order | Mostly | Sort of | Needs work |
| Evidence | 2 examples with specific details are cited in the paper and thoroughly explained | 2 examples with specific details are cited in the paper and  mostly explained | Examples are mentioned, but specifics may be unclear in citation or explanation | Missing at least one source |
| Persuasive Nature | Essay takes on an authoratative tone. Author explains POV with strong language, rhetorical verbs, and refers back to thesis throughout paper. | Mostly | Sort of | Needs work |

+ 10 points for turning it in on time!