

Rubric

| Quality Criteria | Absolutely! | Almost! | Not Yet |
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| Essay supports student point of view with reasons and details. | | | |
| The opinion is clearly stated using the organizational structure provided, and related ideas are grouped to support purpose. | | | |
| Reasons are supported by facts based on the law and details of the case including the Compromise of 1850, Fugitive Slave Act, and the California Code for kidnapping. | | | |
| Linking words are used to support opinion, such as: for instance, in order to, in addition | | | |
| A conclusion statement related to the opinion is included. | | | |