**PSL Summer Assignment - Précis Scoring Guide**

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| Clearly identifies the author’s thesis, and identifies all of the author’s arguments (2 points)  Clearly identifies the author’s evidence in support of his or her arguments (2 points)  Properly uses quotations from the text when necessary to support the above (2 points)  Summary includes no student commentary or historical narrative (2 points)  Response limited to agreement or disagreement with points made in the article (2 points)  Response thoroughly explains reasoning behind agreement or disagreement clearly (2 points)  Exhibits clear organization, clarity in writing, and contains very few grammatical and  mechanical errors (2 points)  Properly follows the format including introduction, body paragraphs, bibliographic  citations, and proper margins, font size, and page numbers (2 points) | Clearly identifies the author’s thesis, and identifies most of the author’s arguments (1.75 points)  Identifies much of the author’s evidence in support of his or her arguments (1.75 points)  Adequately uses quotations from the text when necessary to support the above (1.75 points)  **🡪 🡪 🡪 🡪 🡪 🡪**  **🡪 🡪 🡪 🡪 🡪 🡪**  Response clearly explains reasoning behind agreement or disagreement with points made in the article (1.75 points)  Exhibits clear organization, reasonable clarity in writing, and contains few grammatical and mechanical errors (1.75 points)  With few problems, follows the format including introduction, body paragraphs, bibliographic citations, and proper margins, font size, and page numbers (1.75 points) | Identifies the author’s thesis and identifies some of the author’s arguments  Identifies some of the author’s evidence in support of his or her argument  Inadequately uses quotations from the text to support the above (1.5 points)  Summary might include some student commentary or historical narrative (1.5 points)  Response strays from points made in the article (1.5 points)  Response explains some reasoning behind agreement or disagreement with points made in the article (1.5 points)  Exhibits some organizational problems, demonstrates some problems with clarity in writing, and contains some grammatical and/or mechanical errors (1.5 points)  Contains problems in one or more of the following:  the format including introduction, body paragraphs, bibliographic citations, and proper margins, font size, and page numbers (1.5 points) | Contains severe problems in one or more of the above categories and requires revision. |

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