Guided Notes on Essay Rules NAME: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Never **ask** a **question** in an essay unless you are writing a **persuasive** essay. (NO MATTER WHAT YOU HAVE BEEN TOLD IT IS NOT AN EFFECTIVE GRABBER SENTENCE)
* Never use **1st** or **2nd** person when writing an essay. The following words are BAD – VERY VERY BAD: **I, me, we, you, your, our, you’re,**
* Remember Books do not \_**TALK**\_! Please don’t write that one did ☺
* Do not include **\_\_guessing games\_\_\_\_\_\_** such as wonderful/splendid. Be the decider and decide which word you want to use.
* Do not add \_**long quotes\_\_** , use **\_\_large bold print\_\_** or leave empty spaces in order to **\_\_\_eat up space**\_\_\_. It just makes you look silly.
* Make sure you always PROVE your **thesis\_**\_!
* Use \_**\_quotes**\_ properly and with purpose!
* Only use a \_**pronoun\_\_\_** after a \_\_\_**noun\_\_\_** otherwise the world becomes very confusing and everyone is scared and crying in a corner ☹
* Each paragraph should start with an \_**indention**\_\_.
* Always **\_edit**\_ your essay. The best way is to \_**read\_**\_ it \_\_**aloud**\_\_ and **\_\_listen**\_\_ for mistakes.
* Edit with the purpose to \_**remove**\_\_\_ words you don’t **\_need**\_\_\_!
* An **elilipse**\_ looks like […] and is used to denote the removal of \_**words\_.**
* Proper Quoting with a page number: pay attention to where the period is placed!

 **The cow was very aggressive “while he ate his hay in the barn” (42).**

* Proper Quoting without a page number: pay attention to where the period is placed!

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