FOR TEACHER'S USE ONLY Midterm Test - Marking Criteria

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Use of language

- You have included some relevant language to express cause and effect, but it could have been more effective.
- Grammatical errors are present and, in some cases, impede understanding and/or readability.
- You have used an acceptable range of grammatical structures and vocabulary. However, overall, your essay could have included more sophisticated language.

Structure

- You have included an introduction; however, it doesn't follow the conventions of an academic introduction. It is lacking in most of the following: relevant build-up techniques (quotation, stats, etc.), begging the question/a hook, and a concise thesis statement followed by signposting/the outline.
- Your paragraphs lack focus. There are issues with one or more of your topic sentences, or there are no clear topic sentences present.
- Your conclusion fails in either restating the aims of your essay or adding a final point/opinion. You have added new information to your conclusion.
- Your main body doesn't follow a logical progression of ideas, and, for reasons stated elsewhere, your paragraphs are not cohesive and/or coherent.

Answer / Use of sources

- You have failed to fully address the question.
- You have not selected information from both readings to support the points you are making. Key points have been missed.
- You have not incorporated the original texts into your answer.
- There is little or no attempt to paraphrase. Any paraphrasing either misrepresents the original meaning or is too similar to the original language used.
- Your direct quotations excessively exceed the acceptable 20% limit. The majority of the direct copying could have been avoided.
- You are too far outside the permitted word limit.

Use of language

- You have included little or no language to express cause and effect.
- Grammatical errors are present and, in most cases, impede understanding and/or readability.
- You have not used an acceptable range of grammatical structures and vocabulary. Your essay could have included more sophisticated language.

No attempt made

Additional Comments:

FINAL MARK (%)

Less than 60%

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