**Independent Novel Study – Final Project Rubric Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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| **CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION** | **Low** | **Sufficient** | **Very Good** | **Excellent** |
| ***Knowledge of Novel and Assignment /10*** | *0-1* | *2-3* | *4* | *5* |
| ***Knowledge and Understanding of Novel /5***Does your work reveal that you have *thoroughly* read the novel and you understand the elements within the novel?***Knowledge and Understanding of the Assignment /5***Do you understand the assignment and follow the instructions provided?  | Limited degree of knowledge and understandingFew instructions followed | Moderate degree of knowledge and understandingSome instructions followed | Considerable degree of knowledge and understandingMost instructions followed | High degree of knowledge and understandingAll instructions followed |
| ***Creativity /15*** | *7-8* | *9-10* | *11* | *12-15* |
| ***Creativity Skills /15***Do you use personal creativity when designing the assignment? Do you add your own interest and flare to the assignment? Have you put in a lot of thought and care? | Limited Creativity | Moderately creative | Considerably creative | Highly creative  |
| ***Communication of Ideas /15*** | *0-1* | *2-3* | *4* | *5* |
| ***Communication of Information /5***Do you make good use of design and layout principles? Is your project well organized?Does your written work communicate clearly and effectively? ***Written Work and Conventions /10***Is your writing detailed? Clear and effective? Do you use appropriate grammar, spelling, and punctuation? Do you use language that is appropriate? Do you replace dull and non-descript words with more powerful verbs and adjectives? Does your writing sound professional? | Limited effective communication and organization of ideas and layoutWriting component is lacking ideas and information. Writing is not carefully editing or revised. | Moderately effective communication and organization of ideas and layoutWriting component has some ideas and information. Writing is somewhat carefully editing or revised. | Considerably effective communication and organization of ideas and layoutWriting component has a lot of ideas and information. Writing is carefully editing or revised. | Highly effective communication and organization of ideas and layoutWriting component many exceptional ideas and information. Writing is carefully editing or revised and there are few to no errors. |
| ***Personal Connections /10*** | *5-6* | *7-8* | *9* | *10* |
| ***Making Connections /10***Do you make believable, strong, and clear connections between the novel and your project? Do you specifically reference the novel and connect the novel, *with detail*, to each part of the assignment? | Limited thoughtful analysis; few connections are made | Somewhat thoughtful analysis; some connections made | Insightful and thoughtful analysis; connections are strong | Very insightful and thoughtful analysis; connections are very strong |