

Example #2
E3 final draft

I don't see that you have created an Introduction that

--connects with the reader (grabs their attention)

--clarifies the subject/issue/question

--presents your thesis (kernel sentence)

Without a clear POINT (thesis), your essay has no focus.

Some people believe the media and pornography plays a major role in sexual misconduct,

Comment [L11]: Subject-verb agreement
media and pornography (they) play

and eating disorders. I believe nobody wants to admit they have a problem; they want to blame

Comment [L12]: check that comma—do you need it? Are you connecting complete thoughts with the coordinate conjunction? Are you listing? Would you write,

someone else. Ms. Beck stated she worked in a hospital with severe eating disorder patients.

Bob, and Ray

Beck states the majority of these young women are influence by the media to look a certain way.

Comment [L13]: Nice use of semi-colon to connect complete thoughts

Beck states," These people also had family problems, alcoholic parents, histories of abuse and

clinical depression" (684). Some people believe pornography contributes to men raping and

Comment [L14]: Good use of quote

battering women. **Pornographic magazines and lewd posters reduce women to a commodity**

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that

can be purchased and owned (685). Some people believe the media is the cause of people

Comment [L15]: These are words directly from the source, but they are not in quotation marks. ALWAYS put other's words inside quotation marks when you use them inside your writing .

starving them self to look like someone there not.

Comment [L16]: I'm confused by how you are bouncing back and forth between eating disorders and pornography. I'm also lost because I don't know what point you are making or where you are going (that's the problem when you don't have a thesis)

I believe nobody wants to man, or woman up. Every time somebody gets caught doing

Comment [L17]: I'm not sure what this means?

something bad, they want to point the blame. I believe that most people with eating disorders

Comment [L18]: What's the basis for this belief? Can you bring in specific examples that back up this belief?

have serious other issues. Ms. Beck even stated a few issues in her essay such as, alcoholic

parents, and family problems. I believe this is where everything starts. It is so easy to blame the

media for something, instead of admitting you have a problem. Men who have sexual fantasies

may be, arouse by pornography. I do not feel that **porn cause** men to **beat, or** rape women. I

believe people who **beat, or** rape women get a special high from doing these cowardly acts. I

don't believe a porn magazine can coach someone into getting that high from raping someone. I

think a corrupt mind, from sexually abuse done to them, is at the bottom of most **rapist, and**

abuser motive. |

If the government was to ban pornography, I bet there will still be the same amount of rape and

battering of women going on. If the media stop showing models on TV, and advertising skinny

products, I bet women still would starve **them self** to look slim.

We can all agree that some women go **threw** extreme measures to look great. Women being

abused and raped in the United States is a major problem. It is time for people to start being held

accountable for there actions; not pointing the finger at everyone else. In order to cure your

problem, you have to admit you have one.

Comment [L19]: Subject-verb agreement
Porn (it-singular noun) causes
We (plural noun) cause

Comment [L110]: Do you need this comma? Are you connecting complete thoughts?

Comma + coordinate conjunction is how you connect complete thoughts. If there is not a complete thought after the "and" then no comma is needed.

Comment [L111]: again

Comment [L112]: comma again

Comment [L113]: abuser's motives

Comment [L114]: It looks like you are shifting into your conclusion. Go ahead and signal that this will be your conclusion. Also, it is best to have a single paragraph for a conclusion for short papers.

Comment [L115]: word form--themselves

Comment [L116]: threw a ball?

Feedback on Essay #3:

This is "formative feedback" intended to help you know where you might want to go with this essay if you choose to revise it.

<u>CRITERIA FOR EVALUATION</u>	Score on a 1 to 6 scale (6 being the best)
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<p>Understanding of the task and topic</p> <p>The writer has appropriately addressed the topic as well as the rhetorical situation (writer-reader-text-occasion)</p>	<p><u>3/4</u></p>
<p>Careful construction and organization</p> <p>The author has shaped their essay with a clear introduction, body, and conclusion (Essay Form)</p>	<p><u>2</u></p>
<p>Introduction</p> <p>The writer has written an introduction that connects to the reader, captures their attention, clarifies the issue or topic, and presents a clear point (in the last sentence of the introduction).</p>	<p><u>1</u></p> <p><u>missing introduction?</u></p>
<p>Development</p> <p>The author has developed each side adequately to get their point across. The author has used both quoted and reported information from a source as well as specific ILLUSTRATIVE STORIES from their experience to support and "SHOW" what "they say" and what the author believes.</p>	<p><u>3</u></p> <p><u>more quotes from text and examples from experience needed</u></p>
<p>Handling Quotes</p> <p>The author has integrated quotes well, "sandwiching" them with appropriate commentary before and after. Punctuation of quotes handled correctly.</p>	<p><u>4</u></p> <p><u>you did one good, but didn't put another one inside quotes</u></p>
<p>Focused Grammatical Issues:</p> <p>Punctuation, avoiding run-ons and sentence fragments, avoiding agreement problems (pronoun and subject-verb agreement)</p>	<p><u>3/4</u></p> <p><u>review subject-verb agreement, comma usage</u></p>
<p>Clean Copy: Grammatical Correctness</p> <p>Has the author avoided usage errors in verbs, standard word formation, articles, comparatives and superlatives and word choice as well as errors in mechanical conventions like spelling, capitalization and punctuation?</p>	<p><u>3/4</u></p>
<p>Essay Score: <u>2/3</u></p>	

Comments:

-This wasn't your best paper so far. The problem starts from the top—you got to have a thesis for an essay. Your essay never had that focus. If there is one chief characteristic about an "essay," it is that it is about ONE THING. It presents and develops a single point.

Here is my saying for an essay without a thesis: "An essay without a thesis is like a ship that leaves port without a destination—it gets lost at sea."

If you decide to revise this essay for the portfolio, I recommend that you zero in on the idea that seems to be what you are getting at—she says the media images are to blame for women's problem with eating disorders and sexual abuse, but my experience is that there are other things to blame too that may be more to blame. Notice a key thing missing in your paper on the second half—"my experience." I missed seeing you bring in illustrations and examples from your own experience.

This paper has some potential, so it would be a good one to work on for the portfolio. It would call on you to work on things that are important for you to work on:

--creating an introduction

--developing a clear thesis

--including more specific support for your ideas

--creating a conclusion

Think about working on this one. I'll be happy to look at a revised copy.

Hang in there--

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