

Rubrics of the Weekly Essays (45 points - 100%)

	Inadequate	Needs improvement	Adequate	Professional quality
Completeness and Correctness of Facts	Points: 0 (0%) Did not address some of the questions. Most facts are wrong	Points: 8 (17.78%) Addressed the questions, but provided few details. Some facts are wrong.	Points: 12 (26.67%) Address the questions, but left out some details. Technical details are generally correct	Points: 15 (33.33%) Addressed all questions completely. All facts are correct, and the explanation is concise.
Knowledge of Cultural Frameworks and Ability to Transfer	Points: 0 (0%) Surface understanding of the complexities of another culture in relation to its history, values, politics, communication styles, or beliefs and practices.	Points: 8 (17.78%) Demonstrates partial understanding of the complexity of elements important to members of another culture in relation to its history, values, politics, communication, economy, or beliefs and practices.	Points: 12 (26.67%) Demonstrates adequate understanding of the complexity of elements important to members of another culture in relation to its history, values, politics, communication, economy, or beliefs and practices.	Points: 15 (33.33%) Demonstrates sophisticated understanding of the complexity of elements vital to members of another culture in relation to its history, values, politics, communication, economy, or beliefs and practices.
Organization and Mechanics	Points: 0 (0%) There appears to be no organization of the essay's contents. Sentences and paragraphs are difficult to read and understand due to poor grammar or mechanics	Points: 8 (17.78%) Organization of the essay is difficult to follow, due to inadequate transitions and/or rambling format. The essay contains numerous grammatical and mechanical errors.	Points: 12 (26.67%) The essay can be easily followed. Basic transitions are used; a structured format is used. The essay contains minimal grammatical or mechanical errors.	Points: 15 (33.33%) The essay can be easily followed. Effective transitions are used; professional format is used. The essay is clear and concise and contains no grammatical or mechanical errors.