

grading rubric for *Merchants of Doubt* summary*

components	4 pts	3 points	2 points	1 point
introduction first paragraph	provided context , summarized the problem documented by the movie, and stated the conclusion	provided 2 of the 3 key elements: context ; the problem ; conclusion	provided 1 of the 3 key elements: context ; the problem ; conclusion	rambled about political aspects of the movie but did not focus on 3 key elements: context ; the problem ; conclusion
cited data	provided 2 or more findings supported with data from the movie	provided 1 finding supported with data from the movie	stated a finding but did not support with data	only gave general statement, lacked findings and supporting data
argument (middle paragraph)	interpreted data and explained how data provided a solution to the problem	provided solution to problem citing data, but no explanation of data	provided solution to problem without using data, and no explanation of data	did not provide any solution to problem
counter-argument (middle paragraph)	offered counter-argument and refuted it with data	offered counter-argument and refuted it but not with data	offered counter-argument but did not refute it at all	did not offer counter argument at all
conclusion (final paragraph)	4 components: restated the problem , gave solution , cited data , closed with bigger context	3 of 4 components: restated the problem , gave solution , cited data , closed with bigger context	2 of 4 components: restated the problem , gave solution , cited data , closed with bigger context	1 of 4 components: restated the problem , gave solution , cited data , closed with bigger context

* typos and grammatical errors will reduce point total