

Rubric for Mini Case / Commentary Write-ups (0-7 scale)

Component	Sophisticated (<i>grade = 6, 7</i>)	Competent (<i>grade = 4, 5</i>)	Not Yet Complete (<i>grade = 1, 2, 3</i>)
Evidence of sufficient information supporting each case description (3/7 points)	The description showcases an expert knowledge of the case. It is supported with focused and persuasive evidence, examples and/or illustrations from desk research or other means.	The description showcases a very good knowledge of the case. It is supported with good evidence, examples and/or illustrations from desk research or other means.	The description of the case is unfocused and does not showcase a good knowledge of the case. It is not supported with convincing evidence, examples and/or illustrations from desk research or other means.
Critical analysis of a specific issue of interest relevant to the case (3/7 points)	The analysis is extremely thorough and very well supported by relevant class and/or external materials. It exhibits excellent critical thinking and provides a highly persuasive assessment of the current approach, and possibly a suggestion of an alternative solution/ approach, or reflective questions to encourage further discussions. The analysis is very much focused on a single issue.	The analysis is good and supported by relevant class and/or external materials. It exhibits critical thinking and provides an assessment of the current approach, and possibly a suggestion of an alternative solution/ approach, or reflective questions to encourage further discussions. The analysis is mostly focused on a single issue.	The analysis is superficial or incomplete and not supported by relevant class and/or external materials. It exhibits little evidence of critical thinking or of an assessment of the current approach, a suggestion of an alternative solution/ approach, or reflective questions to encourage further discussions. The analysis is not focused on a single issue.
Reader-friendly composition (1/7 points)	The analysis is extremely focused, well structured, engaging, and easy to read. The narrative is internally consistent, with well-organized evidence cited at relevant points. It is free of spelling or grammar mistakes. It adheres fully to the two-page limit (references excluded).	The analysis is fairly focused, structured, and easy to read. The narrative, and evidence are somewhat consistent. It is mostly free of spelling or grammar mistakes, and mostly adheres to the two-page limit (references excluded).	The analysis is unfocused, unstructured, and hard to follow. The narrative, and evidence are not consistent. There are several spelling or grammar mistakes. It far exceeds the two-page limit (references excluded).