Categories 1-3 will be scored out of four points and categories 4 and 5 will be scored out of 2 points for a total of 16 points.

1. **Assignment Completion**
   The writing fulfills requirements of assignment/prompt and shows that some effort was put into thinking about the prompt.

2. **Argument Development**
   The writing supports arguments with a thorough development of ideas and evidence. This includes considering questions that are likely to be raised by critics.

3. **Level of Reasoning**
   The writing shows sophisticated and insightful thoughts. Arguments are consistent while reaching beyond what was simply discussed in class.

4. **Organization**
   The organization of the writing is coherent and meaningful.

5. **Mechanics**
   Grammatical and spelling mistakes are minimal and not distracting.