

ANNOTATION RUBRIC

EXCELLENT:

- Comments are written on **every page** throughout the book: beginning, middle and end.
- Comments demonstrate **analysis and interpretation**—thinking **beyond the surface level** of the text.
- **Many patterns** of similarity, contrasts, and anomalies are marked; the writer may have created lists or cross-references.
- Comments accomplish a **great variety of purposes**:
 - personal response
 - summary of events/ideas
 - questions
 - predictions
 - connections (within the text and to works and experiences outside the text; t/t, t/s, t/w)
 - vocabulary awareness
 - reflection
 - awareness of writing strategies/text structure
 - purpose of literary devices
 - any other assigned focus

PROFICIENT:

- Comments are written on most pages throughout the book: beginning, middle and end.
- Comments demonstrate **some analysis and interpretation**—thinking beyond the surface level of the text.
- **Some patterns** of similarity, contrasts, and anomalies are marked.
- Marginal comments accomplish **some variety** of purpose.

UNDEVELOPED:

- Comments are written on some pages, but may be concentrated in few parts of the book.
- Comments demonstrate **little analysis or interpretation** – are mostly surface level.
- **Few patterns** of similarity, contrasts, and anomalies are marked.
- Marginal comments accomplish **only a few different purposes**, mostly summary of events and observations.