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I-Can Statements: This I Believe Essays

**Directions:** For each statement, score yourself from a 4-1.

4 - expert

3 - practitioner

2 - apprentice

1 - novice

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| Criterion | Student Score | Why did you score yourself this way?  | Teacher score  |
| Essay structure: I included all the parts of an essay:* introduction paragraph
* at least 2 body paragraphs
* conclusion paragraph
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| My introduction paragraph hooks the reader, and gives them information about what it’s about  |  |  |  |
| My body paragraphs: * include mini-stories, examples and explanations in balance to explain my ideas
* each paragraph contains a reason for my belief and thoughts and feelings that explain it
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| My conclusion paragraph * does not introduce any new information
* does not leave the reader hanging
* restates my This I Believe statement in different words
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| I revised by…* writing sentences of different lengths
* changing boring words into more interesting words
* having someone else read my essay and give me feedback
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| Editing/mechanics: I used these things correctly throughout my essay:* Capitalization
* Organization
* Punctuation
* Spelling
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