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**The Color of Water** References

* Includes all examples and points
* Makes a clear connection

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Composition

* **Introduction**:

Includes Attention Grabber, includes necessary and factual information \_\_\_\_\_\_\_/10

* **Thesis Statement**:

Is **BOLD** and includes three reason to backup your point

Example: Cell phones benefit students by providing easy access to the internet, educational applications, and opportunities for students to collaborate through technology.

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* **Topic Sentences** provide a good introduction and division of supporting information and show a strong relationship to the thesis statement.

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