Final Exam Review Sheet

Expository Essay

1. What is the purpose of an expository essay?
2. What is a thesis?
3. How do you form a thesis?
4. Why is a thesis important?
5. What is a body paragraph?
6. In sequential order, how should a body paragraph be created?
7. What is the purpose of a topic sentence?
8. How is a topic sentence different from a thesis?
9. How do you create a topic sentence?
10. What is a concrete detail?
11. What transitions are appropriate when beginning a concrete detail?
12. What should you keep in mind when creating your concrete details?
13. What is the purpose of the commentary sentence (CS)?
14. How can you transition to a commentary sentence?
15. What is the purpose of a conclusion sentence?
16. How do you form a conclusion sentence?
17. How is a conclusion sentence different from a conclusion paragraph?
18. Minimum how many body paragraphs should an essay contain?
19. What (for now) is an appropriate way to conclude the essay?
20. What should be the longest part of the expository body paragraph?
21. What does coherence/unity mean?
22. How can a writer achieve coherence/unity in their essays?
23. What is the hierarchy of possible examples at your disposal when writing STAAR/standardized test expository essays?
24. In order of importance, what are the elements needed in an expository essay?
25. What is the writing process, in chronological order?
26. What is the difference between revising and editing?
27. What kind of things do you look at when revising?
28. What kind of things do you look at when editing?
29. Why should you avoid slang in your essays?
30. Why should you avoid overuse of you/I in your essays?

Grammar Knowledge:

1. What is a noun?
2. What is a concrete noun?
3. What is an abstract noun?
4. What is a subject?
5. What is a direct object?
6. What is an indirect object?
7. What is an object of the preposition?
8. What is a verb?
9. What’s the difference between an adjective and an adverb?
10. What questions do adjectives answer?
11. What questions do adverbs answer?
12. What is a preposition?
13. What is sentence junk?
14. What are the coordinating conjunctions?
15. What are the subordinating conjunctions?
16. What are the simple sentence patterns?
17. What is a simple sentence?
18. What is a compound sentence?
19. What is a complex sentence?
20. What is a compound-complex sentence?
21. What are the five major comma rules?
22. What are the ways you can join two simple sentences together correctly?
23. What are the incorrect ways of joining two simple sentences?
24. What is a comma splice?
25. What is a run-on sentence?
26. For what purpose(s) is a semicolon used?
27. What is the technical rule for using semicolons?
28. For what purpose(s) is a colon used?
29. If using a colon for emphasis, to introduce a list, or introducing a quote, follow this rule:
30. What combinations of complete and/or incomplete sentences are correct?
31. What is an appositive?
32. What does a pair of commas around a single phrase/group of words indicate?
33. When do you use a comma to separate a list of adjectives?
34. What are the uses of apostrophes?
35. What do apostrophes in contractions indicate?
36. How do you form the possessive of a plural noun?
37. How do you form the possessive of a singular noun?
38. How do you form the possessive of an irregular plural?
39. How do you form the possessive of a noun ending in –s?
40. When do you italicize/underline a title?
41. When do you put a title in quotation marks?

Elements of Literature

1. What is a theme?
2. How do you create a theme statement?
3. What is tone?
4. What is mood?
5. What factors influence mood/tone?
6. What is elements make up setting?
7. What are the five points of plot?
8. When speaking of conflict, who/what are possible antagonists?
9. What are the different types of point of view?
10. What is a character foil? Examples from works we have read:
11. What does it mean when a character is round? Examples?
12. What does it mean when a character is flat? Examples?
13. What is a dynamic character? Examples?
14. What is a static character? Examples?
15. What does it mean when a character is sympathetic?
16. When you are asked to describe a character, what L2 inferences are you expected to make?
17. When you are asked to make L2 inferences about a character, what is this called?
18. What kind of information do L1 questions ask?
19. What factors influence indirect characterization?
20. What is foreshadowing?
21. What is figurative language?
22. What is a simile?
23. What is a metaphor?
24. What is an allusion?
25. What is personification?
26. What is a pun?
27. What is hyperbole?
28. What is diction?
29. What is imagery?