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SAT ESSAY SCORE REPORT

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OVERALL ESSAY SCORE: 10

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Domain	Official College Board SAT Essay Reader #1	Official College Board SAT Essay Reader #2
<i>Thesis and Support</i>	4	5
<i>Reasoning and Analysis</i>	5	5
<i>Organization and Structure</i>	5	4
<i>Grammar and Style</i>	5	5
AVERAGE SCORE	5	5

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Score 6: Responses at this score point demonstrate effective skill in writing an argumentative essay.

Score 5: Responses at this score point demonstrate well-developed skill in writing an argumentative essay.

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Score 3: Responses at this score point demonstrate some developing skill in writing an argumentative essay.

Score 2: Responses at this score point demonstrate weak or inconsistent skill in writing an argumentative essay.

Score 1: Responses at this score point demonstrate little or no skill in writing an argumentative essay.



Essay Prompt

Think carefully about the issue presented in the following excerpt and the assignment below.

Public opinion — the sum of the attitudes or beliefs held by a majority of the population—is primarily expressed through the media or public opinion polls. Leaders and politicians are often swayed by it, believing that public opinion is everything. Yet true leaders should not listen to what the public thinks; they should follow their own convictions, whether or not the majority of their fellow citizens agree with them.

ASSIGNMENT: Should leaders follow their own convictions or submit to public opinion? Plan and write an essay in which you develop your point of view on this issue. Support your position with reasoning and examples taken from your reading, studies, experience, or observations.

Note: *The prompt was taken from the May 2014 administration of the SAT.*

SECTION

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Although it may often be advantageous for leaders to act based on public opinion, people in power should generally follow their own beliefs. By adhering to their own convictions, authority figures can present to society what potential they or other groups have, as the general public is often unaware of ^{such} certain circumstances. Examples that support my thesis range from classic films to modern fantasy television series.

In the movie "Remember The Titans" Coach Boone, one of the main characters in the story, shows how ^{through} following one's own opinions, success may be better achieved. At the exposition, the Alabama State Court mandated that ~~the~~ football team be more racially diversified after it received accusations of social injustice and stagnancy by liberal minded activists. As the team was changed to include African American players, an African American leader (Coach Boone) ^{took} ~~took~~ command. Although the public in Alabama ~~was~~ outraged, Coach Boone was tenacious in his goal of making an effective football team that placed no value on color, but only on potential. As Coach Boone demanded perfection from every team member, the African A. and white players soon learned the value of synergistic cooperation and through Boone's efforts, the Titans won the Alabama championships. This example shows how leaders (Coach Boone) should generally follow their own convictions because the general public is often lacking the knowledge to make correct decisions. Boone showed how through his ability of foresight in seeing the true potential of the players and acting on his view in making the team a better fighting unit, leaders can present to society what the public might have believed as impossible.

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