Figure 5.6: Example Rubric for So I Will Essays

Assignment: Write an essay in which you explain how this unit has affected the way you think about a particular topic—for example, how your learning has clarified, expanded, or complicated your thinking—and what you plan to do as a result of what you learned.

Elements	Basic	Effective	Exemplary
The essay sticks to a thesis about how your learning has affected your thinking about a particular topic.			
Specific images help the reader visualize how you thought about the topic before, what specifically you learned, how you think about the topic now, and what you plan to do as a result.			
The essay is thoughtfully organized; topics are in an order that makes sense, and transitions help the reader move from one topic to the next.			
The essay is easy to read ; it has clear sentences, a title, and no errors in capitalization, punctuation, spelling, or grammar.			