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| **Beowulf Essay**Teacher Name: **Emily DeSantis** Student Name:     \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |

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| CATEGORY  | **4 - Above Standards**  | **3 - Meets Standards**  | **2 - Approaching Standards**  | **1 - Below Standards**  | **Score**  |
| **Textual Evidence**  | All of the evidence and examples are specific, relevant and explanations are given that show how each piece of evidence supports the chosen trait.  | Most of the evidence and examples are specific, relevant and explanations are given that show how each piece of evidence supports the chosen trait.  | At least one of the pieces of evidence and examples is relevant and has an explanation that shows how that piece of evidence supports the chosen trait.  | Evidence and examples are NOT relevant AND/OR are not explained.  |    |
| **Grammar & Spelling**  | Author makes no errors in grammar or spelling that distract the reader from the content.  | Author makes 1-2 errors in grammar or spelling that distract the reader from the content.  | Author makes 3-4 errors in grammar or spelling that distract the reader from the content.  | Author makes more than 4 errors in grammar or spelling that distract the reader from the content.  |    |
| **3 Heroic Traits**  | Three clearly stated heroic characteristics of Beowulf.  | Two clearly stated heroic characteristics of Beowulf.  | One clearly stated heroic characteristic.  | Zero characteristics given.  |    |
| **Focus or Thesis Statement**  | The thesis statement names the topic of the essay and outlines the main points to be discussed.  | The thesis statement names the topic of the essay.  | The thesis statement outlines some or all of the main points to be discussed but does not name the topic.  | The thesis statement does not name the topic AND does not preview what will be discussed.  |    |

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