

9th Grade Big Question Anchor Paper – Score of 1

Standing out is a hard thing to do. There are some consequences that may come along with it, but in the long run there is no wrong or right so why not be who you want to be.

Comment [A1]: While the student attempts an engaging hook, the introduction is severely underdeveloped and lacks a clear thesis statement

I truly think it is better to stand out. The reason I say this is because why be like everybody else.

Comment [A2]: Weak topic sentence; instead of articulating a sub-claim, the writer relies on a vague personal opinion

There is no excitement or spice in this life that society wants you to live. There is no right or wrong that we have to follow. We create these rules with our insecurities, but to be true to yourself you have to overcome these. Which may be a difficult thing to accomplish. But when you do I can promise that it's worth it.

Comment [A3]: This entire paragraph is filled with abstract generalizations that feel vague/disconnected; the section lacks any reference to evidence from sources

Standing Out is a hard fear to overcome but why be the person sitting next to you? If you fit in there is no character or personality to you. You sound just like every other person drab and boring. There are not many things special to you or character. Why be like an average Joe when you can get out and express yourself.

Comment [A4]: Distracting grammatical errors throughout (fragments, sentence structure, spelling, capitalization, etc.)

There is absolutely nothing wrong with being different. Standing out will probably bring more people to like you. It leaves better impressions on the people around you. It will also bring more excitement and enjoyment to your life. It may not be accepted by society, but it's better than being artificial.

Comment [A5]: This entire paragraph also relies on vague questions/statements, with no reference to artifacts or clear analysis

There is no wrong or right on the life you live, although it may be hard standing out and being who you want to be will make you a happier person.

Comment [A6]: See previous comment; the writer demonstrates the same core issues throughout all body paragraphs

Comment [A7]: This final sentence of the last body paragraph brings up a potentially thought-provoking point, but unfortunately the writer doesn't engage with it more fully by going more in-depth/connecting to evidence from artifacts

Comment [A8]: Undeveloped conclusion that again relies on generalization and is hard to decipher given its choppy sentence structure/punctuation issues. Overall, this paper scores a 1 because it lacks all of the core elements required by this assignment, specifically a thesis, well-developed arguments, and references to meaningful and relevant artifacts.