Science Essay – Rubric grade 7 **Prompt: Write an essay in which you present your understanding of the connection between Genetics and Evolution unit using your “Aha Connections” page and the Web Quest.** (5 points each, unless otherwise indicated)

**Introduction**

\_\_\_ title with proper punctuation

\_\_\_name of unit

\_\_\_brief summary of items learned

\_\_\_claim states the connection between genetics and evolution

**Body Paragraph (What is Genetics?)**

\_\_\_ is organized around a *first* clear idea

\_\_\_ can clearly explain the topic

\_\_\_ clarifies the topic with evidence and examples

\_\_\_ maintains purpose by tying back to the claim

**Body Paragraph (What is Evolution?)**

\_\_\_ is organized around a *second* clear idea

\_\_\_ can clearly explain the topic

\_\_\_ clarifies the topic with evidence and examples

\_\_\_ maintains purpose by tying back to the claim

**Body Paragraph (How are genetics and evolution connected?)**

\_\_\_ is organized around a *third* clear idea

\_\_\_ can clearly explain the topic

\_\_\_ clarifies the topic with evidence and examples

\_\_\_ maintains purpose by tying back to the claim

**Conclusion**

\_\_\_ restates the claim in different words

\_\_\_ explores why the answers to the question matters outside the classroom

**Grammar / Style :**

\_\_\_Spelling/capitalization

\_\_\_Run-ons / fragment

\_\_\_Clarity

\_\_\_Correct use of science terminology

\_\_\_Rubric attached (2 pts)

\_\_\_Outline attached (5 pts)

\_\_\_Mind Map attached (5pts)

\_\_\_Conclusion questions attached (3 pts)

Total \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/125 points