

## English 12 Prose

### Scale Point: 4

#### Comment

This paper was awarded a 4 because it is organized although it has a limited introduction and conclusion. Like many mid-level papers, this essay relies heavily on plot summary, although the student clearly understands the change the narrator undergoes. The quotes are used in a repetitive way, merely to restate the point of the essay (and the plot). Some of the language used is awkward (“more wiser”), but ultimately this does not interfere with the reader’s understanding of the essay.

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Each character in the story’s “Rite of Passage” has a development. Their development is their rite of passage. This makes them change throughout the story.

The boys were playing a game of hockey one sunday afternoon. Mr. Ratchford and his son who they called “Scratch” showed up. Scratch was an awesome player and no one really know abot his dad until he started to play on the ice. He walked on the ice in old skates and no gear just a pair of dress pants. Mr. Ratchford had a lot of speed and could handle the puck very well, “had never seen anyone skate as fast or handle the puck as well as Mr. Ratchford.” He was getting shots in every time he took one so the goalie gave up, “our goalie finally gave up going for the moves that Mr. Ratchford put on him and simply stood there.”

as they were playing scratch flew towards his dad and turned his butt into him sending him headfirst into a snow bank. That was his rite of passage beating his dad, “Mr. Ratchford had become one with the force of the blow at the initial movement of impact.” Scratch developed some more talent.

His brother was an excellent hockey player “my brother was an excellent skater and playmaker.” He grabbed the puck and began down the open ice for a goal but then he saw his brother. He didn’t back down he kept going hoping his brother would forget the moves he taught him. He doesn’t remember what he did but it worked he got around his brother and scored. Right then and there he went through his rite of passage. He received a new respect from his brother and he felt as though he were in a larger world, the journey had begun.

In conclusion everyone gets their rite of passage at some point and it changes people, they become stronger and more wiser in the sport. They gain the respect. “I felt I could go forward”. They move on they get more mature not just in the sport.