The odyssey written analysis

Standards Covered:

SWBAT cite textual evidence to support personal opinions and analysis of literature
SWBAT make text to self connections
SWBAT analyze the relevancy of classic literature to modern day life

Task:

Now that you've created a Facebook page based on your chosen character, it's time to go a step further and see how those characters are present even today. Your task is to compare your chosen character to a modern day celebrity, athlete, character from a TV show or movie, or person from your own life. You will do this in a 5 paragraph essay.
In that essay, you should include:

- **An introduction in which you describe your character from** *The Odyssey*
  - **A clear thesis statement that clearly states the 3 comparisons. Using the following formula may help:**
    - **Odysseus and Frodo Baggins are similar in that they both go on a long journey, exhibit courage, and overcome many obstacles along the way.**
- **3 body paragraphs, each one analyzing/explaining one comparison between your character from** *The Odyssey* **and your selected modern person**
  - **These should match the three similarities you wrote in your thesis**
  - **Using the example from above, my first paragraph would explain how Odysseus and Frodo go on a long journey**
  - **Be sure to include at least 1 piece of textual evidence for <u>each character</u> in <u>each body paragraph</u>**
- **A conclusion that restates your thesis, main points, and answers the "So What?" question**
- **A well-written, organized, mechanically sound paper**
  - **Be sure to proofread your paper for any fragments or run-ons**

Rubric is on the following page

Criteria	Weight	Missing	Beginning	Developing	Proficiency	Mastery
Comparisons between Characters	X 2	There is 1 or none clear, accurate comparisons between your chosen character and a modern person	There are 2 comparisons between your chosen character and a modern person; they may or may not be clear and/or accurate	There are 3 comparisons between your chosen character and a modern person, but two may be inaccurate or unclear	There are 3 comparisons between your chosen character and a modern person, but one may be inaccurate or unclear	There are 3 clear and accurate comparisons between your chosen character and a modern person
Supporting Evidence	X 3	No relevant textual evidence was given	At least 1 piece of relevant textual evidence was given for each character in 1 of the 3 body paragraphs	1 piece of relevant textual evidence was present in each paragraph, but not for each character	At least 1 piece of relevant textual evidence was given for each character in 2 of the 3 body paragraphs	At least 1 piece of relevant textual evidence was given for each character in each body paragraph
Mechanics	X 1	Spelling, grammar, and punctuation errors make the paper almost incomprehensible	Many spelling, grammar, and punctuation errors	Some spelling, grammar, and punctuation errors	Few spelling, grammar, and punctuation errors	No spelling, grammar, and punctuation errors
Organization	X 1	Paper was not organized at all nor did it follow a logical flow		Paper was somewhat well-organized and followed a mostly logical flow		Paper was well-organized and followed a logical flow