College Scholarship / Application: Revising Activities

Complete the following, revising your essay when necessary.

1. Read over the prompt and rubric on the website and predict the grade you will make on this essay:________________.

2. What is the dominant impression (thesis) of your essay? Is it implicitly or explicitly stated?

3. What recurring motif (object, symbol, idea) is used to develop your dominant impression?

4. Add one piece of imagery and write it below.

5. Add one figure of speech (personification, simile, metaphor, hyperbole, etc.) and write it below. If you feel like your essay already has enough figures of speech, then write an existing example below.
6. Check your sentence variation- do most sentences begin with a subject and verb? If so, rewrite at least one, starting it out with a subordinating conjunction (type in this web address: http://bit.ly/1JiPtUA for info on subordinating conjunctions).

7. What is the overall tone (the attitude you have towards what you are describing) of your essay? Look up a list of tone words online for help. Write a tone word below as well as examples of diction (word choice) from your essay that supports that tone.