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WRITING RUBRIC

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|  | 1 -  | 2 - Ok | 3 - Good | 4 - Excellent |
| Content-on topic-creativity-idea development-supporting details | -off topic-lacks creativity or originality in ideas. -ideas are not supported. | -may stray off topic at times-general development of ideas-few supporting details | -stays on topic-ideas are thoughtful and logical-supporting details are specific and interesting | -topic development is imaginative-ideas are carefully chosen and perceptive-supporting details are precise and original |
| Organization-clear topic sentence-ideas and details flow logically-closing sentence | -introduction is unclear , dysfunctional or lacks purpose-events and details are not organized (confusing)-closure is abrupt, unrelated or missing | -functional introduction-events are ordered logically, but may sometimes be confusing-Weak, but related closing. | -good, clear introduction-Sensible organization-use of transitions evident- Appropriate closing. | -strong and engaging introduction.-Clear organization of events and details.-smooth transitions-Effective closure |
| Sentences-control -Variety of sentence types and beginnings (conjunctions) | -sentences lack control (run-ons, fragments).-little variety of sentence types and beginnings.-awkward to read | -generally controlled but some mistakes.-Some variety of sentence beginnings and types. | -consistently controlled-writing is enhanced by various sentence structures and beginnings. | -great control of sentences.-sentence types and beginnings are effective and varied. |
| Vocabulary-interesting vocabulary has been used-tone is appropriate | -Words used are unspecific and/or inaccurate.-Tone is inappropriate for intended audience. | -Words are generally appropriate but unspecific-Tone may be inconsistent or inappropriate | -words are used accurately.-There is evidence that vocabulary has been considered.-Tone is clear and appropriate. | -words are used accurately-Precise words and expressions create strong imagery and add interest.-Tone is distinct and convincing. |
| Mechanics-grammar-punctuation-capitalization-spelling | Lack of conventions makes writing confusing and difficult to understand. | -Demonstrates general understanding of mechanics-Presence of errors makes writing confusing at times. | -Few errors.-Errors present do not impede meaning. | Writing is essentially free from errors  |

Comments: