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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: