

CONVENTIONS: Skill Level Guidelines

Analytical Rubric: Score of "4"

| Grade 3 | Grade 5 | Grade 8 | Grade 10 |
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| <p>Spelling</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> correctly spelled common words appropriate to grade level <input type="checkbox"/> some phonetic spelling of common and difficult words | <p>Spelling</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> correctly spelled common words appropriate to grade level <input type="checkbox"/> difficult words may be phonetically spelled | <p>Spelling</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> correctly spelled common words appropriate to grade level <input type="checkbox"/> few misspellings of more difficult words | <p>Spelling</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> correctly spelled common words appropriate to grade level <input type="checkbox"/> few misspellings of more difficult words |
| <p>Grammar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> correct subject/verb agreement in simple sentences <input type="checkbox"/> meaning is conveyed though the reader may be distracted by minor grammatical errors | <p>Grammar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> basic control of subject/verb agreement, although there may be a few lapses <input type="checkbox"/> generally correct verb tense <input type="checkbox"/> generally consistent point-of-view (first and third person) | <p>Grammar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> basic control of noun/pronoun and subject/verb agreement <input type="checkbox"/> generally correct verb tense <input type="checkbox"/> consistent point-of-view | <p>Grammar</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> solid control of subject/verb agreement <input type="checkbox"/> general control of noun/pronoun agreement <input type="checkbox"/> consistent verb tense <input type="checkbox"/> generally correct usage of irregular verb forms <input type="checkbox"/> consistent control of point-of-view |
| <p>Punctuation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> correct end-of-sentence punctuation <input type="checkbox"/> commas in dates and in a series are correctly placed, though there may be some other internal punctuation errors | <p>Punctuation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> correct end-of-sentence punctuation <input type="checkbox"/> correctly placed commas in dates, in a series, and after introductory words, although commas may not be used correctly in phrases <input type="checkbox"/> apostrophes are generally used correctly in contractions and singular possessives | <p>Punctuation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> correct end-of-sentence punctuation <input type="checkbox"/> commas are correctly placed in dates and in a series <input type="checkbox"/> attempts at internal punctuation (commas, colons, semi-colons), although they occasionally be incorrect <input type="checkbox"/> apostrophes are generally used correctly in contractions and singular possessives <input type="checkbox"/> quotation marks, if used, are used correctly | <p>Punctuation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> correct end-of-sentence punctuation <input type="checkbox"/> generally correct use of commas (after introductory phrases, in compound sentences, in a series) <input type="checkbox"/> internal punctuation is generally correct <input type="checkbox"/> correct use of apostrophes in contractions and singular possessives |
| <p>Capitalization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> correctly capitalized sentence beginnings, proper nouns, titles, and the pronoun "I" | <p>Capitalization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> correctly capitalized sentence beginnings, proper nouns, titles, abbreviations, and pronoun "I" | <p>Capitalization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> correct capitalization, including caps within quotation marks | <p>Capitalization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> correct capitalization, including within quotation marks |
| <p>Paragraphing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> No skill level expectations at this grade | <p>Paragraphing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> paragraphing attempts | <p>Paragraphing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> sound paragraph breaks, including when speaker changes in dialogue | <p>Paragraphing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> paragraph breaks that reinforce organizational structure |