

Performance Task:

You will write a diary entry from the point of view of a traveler on a Roman road during ancient times. Refer to the rubric so you include all of the required information.

Rubric for Diary Entry

Criteria and Information to include	Score	Comments
Where did your journey begin and where are you heading? Why are you traveling?	/3	
What is your mode of transportation?	/2	
What are the roads like?	/2	
What do you see along the way?	/2	
Where do you stay?	/2	
Use correct grammar, spelling and punctuation.	/4	
Total score	/15	

Sample answer that meets all criteria:

Today I left Jerusalem, and am traveling to Antioch. This journey will take several days. Once I get to Antioch I will pick up goods that I will sell back in Jerusalem. My horse-drawn carriage is empty now, but it will be full of cloth and other goods when I return. In a few places the road is paved with stones, but in most places it is gravel. Along the way I have seen milliararia, stone posts which mark each mile. Today I stopped at four mutationes to get fresh horses, and tonight I am staying at a mansio, a place for weary travelers to spend the night.