## **6th Grade Explanatory Writing Matrix**

Trade Explanatory Writing Matrix					
4	<ul> <li>I can determine the style, purpose and audience to convey my learning of a task beyond my writing class.</li> <li>I can demonstrate competency in all of the content/purpose standards.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I can defend my style choice for writing to an assigned task across disciplines and content areas.</li> <li>I can demonstrate competency in all of the organization/structure standards.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I can enhance my production and communication of knowledge with attention to the purpose and task of an assigned writing project.</li> <li>I can demonstrate competency in all of the production standards.</li> </ul>		
3 Evide nce	☐ I can write a response (i.e. paragraph, essay) with an effective introduction, relevant supporting sentences, and a closing statement that supports the information presented. ☐ I can use precise, subject-specific vocabulary to develop a topic.				

3 Profici ent	<ul> <li>I can <u>develop</u> the topic with relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples.         (W.6.2.B)</li> <li>I can <u>use</u> precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic.         (W.6.2.D)</li> <li>I can <u>provide</u> a concluding statement or section that follows from the information or explanation presented. (W.6.2.F)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I can organize ideas, concepts, and information using strategies such as definition, classification, compare and contrast, and cause and effect.(W.6.2.A)</li> <li>I can vary my sentence patterns for meaning, style and the interest of the reader or listener. (L.6.3.A)</li> <li>I can write in a formal style. (W.6.2.E)</li> <li>I can write with consistent style and tone. (L.6.3)</li> </ul>	I can use technology, including the internet, to produce and publish writing. (W.6.6)
2 Evide nce	<ul> <li>☐ I can <u>summarize</u> information from multiple types of sources on the same topic.</li> <li>☐ I can <u>cite</u> evidence from the text to support my analysis of the text.</li> </ul>		

2 Developing	<ul> <li>I can take evidence from literary or informational text to support analysis, reflection and research. (W.6.9.A-B)</li> <li>I can bring together information presented in media and texts to develop a coherent understanding of a topic or issue. (RI.6.7)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I can develop and organize my writing in a way that is appropriate for the task, purpose and audience. (W.6.4)</li> <li>I can use my knowledge of language and its rules for writing, speaking, reading or listening. (L.6.3.A)</li> <li>I can produce clear and coherent writing. (W.6.4)</li> <li>I can use commas, dashes, and parentheses to set off clauses. (L.6.2.A-B)</li> <li>I can use appropriate transitions to clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts. (W.6.2.C)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>I can gather relevant information from print and digital sources and judge the credibility of each source. (W.6.8)</li> <li>I can quote or paraphrase others without plagiarism. (W.6.8)</li> <li>I can make a bibliography. (W.6.8)</li> <li>I can interact and collaborate with others to produce and publish writing. (W.6.6)</li> </ul>
Evide nce	☐ I can write an effective topic sentence.		
Beginni ng	I can <u>introduce</u> a topic. (W.6.2.A) I can <u>use</u> words, phrases, and clauses to clarify the relationships among claim (s) and reasons. (W.6.1.C)	<ul> <li>I can show my command of English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. (L.6.1.A-E)</li> <li>I can show my control of capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when I'm writing. (L.6.2.A-B)</li> </ul>	With some help from peers and adults, I can develop and strengthen writing as needed by planning, revising, editing, rewriting, or trying a new approach. (W.6.5)
	Content/Purpose	Organization/Structure	Production