

Six Trait Narrative Essay (Express & Reflect) Writing Rubric

Name:

Assignment:

Total:

IDEAS/CONTENT

Clear, focused, compelling main point

No main point

Rich, detailed, insightful analysis / explanation

Lack of evidence/explanation/analysis/examples/quotes

Significant, powerful, specific evidence/examples

Provides information/explanation on a specific point/topic in a compelling way

25 _____ 24 _____ 23 _____ 22 _____ 21 _____ 20 _____ 19 _____ 18 _____

ORGANIZATION

Strong sense of direction

No sense of direction

Engaging lead

No real lead

Logical sequencing

Disjointed order

Sophisticated transitions

Missing transitions

Powerful ending

Ends abruptly/no real ending

Uses strategies of mentor text

Does not use strategies of mentor text

20 _____ 19 _____ 18 _____ 17 _____ 16 _____ 15 _____

VOCABULARY

Precise

Vague

Vivid

Clichéd

Natural

Overly simple

Clear

Inconsistent/random

Contributes to tone

Improper

15 _____ 14 _____ 13 _____ 12 _____ 11 _____ 10 _____

FLUENCY/SENTENCE STRUCTURE

Varied sentence patterns/lengths

Repetitive patterns

Rhythmic

Run-ons / Fragments

Proper sentence structure

Awkward structure

15 _____ 14 _____ 13 _____ 12 _____ 11 _____ 10 _____

VOICE

Passionate

Flat

Expressive

Impersonal

Aware of audience

Writer sounds bored

Appropriate tone

Inappropriate tone

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CONVENTIONS

Sound mechanics

Substantial errors: capitalization,

Minimal errors

punctuation, subject-verb agreement,

confused words, spelling, comma rules.

10 _____ 9 _____ 8 _____ 7 _____ 6 _____ 5 _____