

Informational Writing Rubric				
	Focus	Organization	Support	Conventions
6	Writing is clearly focused on the topic.	Writing employs an appropriate organizational strategy that is followed throughout.	Writing is clearly supported by specific details. The word choice is precise and engaging.	Complete sentences are featured. Writing contains few, if any, errors in grammar, usage, and mechanics. A variety of sentence structures is used.
5	Writing is mostly focused on the topic.	Writing employs an organizational strategy, with occasional digressions.	Writing has supporting details and the word choice serves the purpose of the writing but is not very precise.	Complete sentences are used, though there are a few fragments. Sentences contain a few errors in grammar, usage, and mechanics. A variety of sentence structures is used.
4	Writing, in general, is focused on the topic but contains some non-relevant information.	Writing shows evidence of an organizational strategy though it is not consistently followed.	Writing has some supporting details and predictable word choice.	Sentences contain some errors in grammar, usage, and mechanics. Sentence structure has some variety.
3	Writing is somewhat focused on the topic but contains unrelated details.	Writing attempts to use an organizational strategy but it is not clear or consistent.	Writing has few supporting details and the word choice is often simple or unclear.	Sentences contain errors in grammar, usage, and mechanics. Sentence structure has some variety.
2	Writing has some relation to the topic but contains few relevant details.	Writing shows little evidence of an organizational strategy.	Writing does not have enough supporting details and the word choice is basic.	Sentences contain many errors in grammar, usage, and mechanics. Sentence structure is limited.
1	Writing barely addresses the topic. Contains many unrelated details.	Writing has no organizational strategy.	Writing has a lack of supporting details and the word choice is limited.	Sentences contain frequent errors in grammar, usage, and mechanics. Writing uses very simple sentence structure.

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