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4th Grade Writing Rubric

Benchmark:	4-ADVANCED Advanced knowledge of grade level standards	3-PROFICIENT Proficient knowledge of grade level standards	2-BASIC Approaching Basic knowledge of grade level standards	1-BELOW BASIC Below basic knowledge of grade level standards
Organization Focus	Well-developed, expressive paragraphs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strong introduction & conclusion Flows smoothly Transitional phrases 	Developed paragraphs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appropriate introduction & conclusion, but not compelling Sequence evident Some transitional phrases 	Paragraphing attempted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction and conclusion weak Minimal sequence development Attempted transitional phrases 	No paragraphing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No introduction and conclusion Lacks sequence Lacks focus Confusing No transitional phrases
Content	Strongly addresses the prompt	Addresses the prompt	Inconsistently addresses the prompt	Fails to address the prompt
Style	Rich vocabulary and/or figurative language appropriate to topic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uses a wide variety of sentences (simple, complex, compound) that fluently connect ideas 	Familiar and descriptive vocabulary appropriate to topic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uses a variety of sentence structures (simple, compound, complex) 	Limited vocabulary and descriptions appropriate to topic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mostly simple sentences with repetitive beginnings 	Simple/repeated words or phrases <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Many spelling errors
Editing Conventions	CUPS* Minor errors in CUPS	CUPS* Some errors in CUPS that <u>do not</u> distract reader's understanding	CUPS* Some errors in CUPS that <u>do</u> distract reader's understanding	CUPS* Major errors in CUPS interfere with understanding
Genre	See style of writing on back	See style of writing on back	See style of writing on back	See style of writing on back

S= Capitalization, Usage, Punctuation, Spelling

Legible Illegible, impedes readability

Subtotal: x 4 =

x 3 =

x 2 =

x 1 =

Overall Rubric Score:

Circle 4 3 2 1

Enter score on report card

Total Points:

4=20-18

3=17-13

2=12-8

1=7-5