



**Student Work Rubric: Informational/Explanatory Task, Kindergarten**

SCORING ELEMENTS	EMERGING		APPROACHES EXPECTATIONS		MEETS EXPECTATIONS		ADVANCED	
	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	3.5	4	
<b>TOPIC/MAIN IDEA</b>	Topic is not named; response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) is unrelated to the prompt.		Names a topic; response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) is <b>loosely related</b> to named topic and/or prompt.		Names a topic; response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) is <b>generally related</b> to named topic and/or prompt.		Names a topic; response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) <b>clearly addresses</b> the named topic and the prompt.	
<b>USE OF SOURCES</b>	Even with prompting and guidance, does not recall information from sources.		With prompting and guidance, <b>recalls loosely related information</b> from sources.		With prompting and guidance, recalls <b>relevant</b> information from sources.		<b>With minimal guidance</b> , recalls relevant information from sources.	
<b>DEVELOPMENT</b>	Response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) includes no details related to the topic.		Response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) includes details <b>loosely related</b> to the topic.		Response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) includes details <b>generally related</b> to the topic.		Response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) includes <b>relevant</b> details.	
<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	Parts of the response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) are unconnected.		Parts of the response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) are <b>loosely connected</b> .		Parts of the response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) are <b>generally</b> connected.		<b>All</b> parts of the response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) are <b>clearly</b> connected.	
<b>CONVENTIONS (GENERAL)</b>	Major errors in standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Errors in standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level <b>sometimes</b> interfere with the clarity of the writing.		<b>Consistently applies</b> standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level. <b>Minor</b> errors, while noticeable, <b>do not interfere</b> with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level, <b>with few errors. Attempts to use untaught conventions, appropriate to grade level.</b>	
<b>CONVENTIONS (KINDERGARTEN EXAMPLES)</b>	Many unrecognizable letters and words  Little to no spacing between words  Little to no use of capital letters Response shows little to no progression (top/bottom, left/right).		Most words spelled phonetically  Inconsistent use of capital letters  Appropriate spacing between words  Little to no use of punctuation		Most frequent-use words spelled correctly  Some words spelled phonetically  Inconsistent use of end punctuation  First word in each sentence capitalized Pronoun "I" capitalized		Conventional spelling of frequent-use words  Phonetic spelling of new words  Consistent use of end punctuation  Consistent spacing of words and sentences	



			Response shows a general progression (top/bottom, left/right).		Response shows a progression (top/bottom, left/right).		Attempts to use commas and pronouns  Response shows a clear progression (top/bottom, left/right)
<b>DISCIPLINARY CONTENT UNDERSTANDING</b>	<i>Add criteria here</i>		<i>Add criteria here</i>		<i>Add criteria here</i>		<i>Add criteria here</i>



**Student Work Rubric: Informational/Explanatory Task, Grade 1**

SCORING ELEMENTS	EMERGING		APPROACHES EXPECTATIONS		MEETS EXPECTATIONS		ADVANCED	
	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	3.5	4	
<b>TOPIC/MAIN IDEA</b>	Response does not address the prompt, does not name a topic, or is mostly off-topic.		Names a topic; response is <b>loosely related</b> to the prompt and the topic, or is <b>partially off-topic</b> .		Names a topic; response <b>addresses</b> the prompt and is <b>related</b> to the topic.		Names a clear topic; response addresses the prompt and <b>stays focused on the topic</b> .	
<b>USE OF SOURCES</b>	Includes no information from sources.		Includes information from sources <b>loosely related</b> to topic.		Includes information from sources <b>related</b> to the topic.		Includes <b>detailed</b> information from sources related to the topic.	
<b>DEVELOPMENT</b>	Lists no facts or facts unrelated to the topic.		Lists facts <b>loosely related</b> to the topic.		Lists facts <b>related</b> to the topic.		Lists and <b>elaborates on some</b> facts related to the topic.	
<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	Sentences have no evident relationship with each other.		Sentences <b>are related</b> to each other.		Sentences are related to each other; <b>provides a sense of closure</b> .		<b>Sequences</b> sentences with a <b>beginning, middle, and end</b> ; provides a sense of closure.	
<b>CONVENTIONS (GENERAL)</b>	Major errors in standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Errors in standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level <b>sometimes</b> interfere with the clarity of the writing.		<b>Consistently applies</b> standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level. <b>Minor</b> errors, while noticeable, <b>do not interfere</b> with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level, <b>with few errors</b> . <b>Attempts to use untaught conventions, appropriate to grade level</b> .	
<b>CONVENTIONS (GRADE 1 EXAMPLES)</b>	<p>Most words spelled phonetically</p> <p>Use of capital letters inconsistent</p> <p>Appropriate spacing between words</p> <p>Little to no use of punctuation</p>		<p>Most frequent-use words spelled correctly</p> <p>Some words spelled phonetically</p> <p>End punctuation used inconsistently</p> <p>First word in each sentence capitalized</p> <p>Pronoun "I" capitalized</p>		<p>Conventional spelling of frequent-use words</p> <p>Phonetic spelling of new words</p> <p>Consistent use of end punctuation</p> <p>Consistent spacing of words and sentences</p> <p>Dates and names capitalized</p> <p>Use of commas in dates and series of words</p>		<p>Holidays, product names, and geographic names capitalized</p> <p>Use of apostrophe to form contractions</p> <p>Conventional spelling of new words</p>	



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**Student Work Rubric: Informational/Explanatory Task, Grade 2**

SCORING ELEMENTS	EMERGING		APPROACHES EXPECTATIONS		MEETS EXPECTATIONS		ADVANCED
	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	3.5	4
<b>TOPIC/MAIN IDEA</b>	Response is off-topic or topic/main idea is unclear.		Introduces the topic and a <b>general</b> main idea, with an <b>inconsistent focus</b> on the main idea.		Introduces the topic and a clear main idea, <b>maintaining a focus</b> on the main idea.		Introduces the topic and a <b>specific</b> main idea, maintaining a <b>consistent</b> focus on the main idea.
<b>USE OF SOURCES</b>	Includes no details from sources related to the topic or prompt.		Includes <b>few</b> details from sources related to the topic or prompt.		Includes details from sources related to the topic <b>and</b> prompt.		Includes <b>well-chosen</b> details from sources related to the topic and prompt.
<b>DEVELOPMENT</b>	Includes facts, definitions and/or details loosely related to the topic.		Includes facts, definitions, and/or details (as well as illustrations, if appropriate) related to the topic with <b>minor inaccurate or incomplete elements</b> .		Includes relevant facts, definitions, and/or details (as well as illustrations, if appropriate) <b>that help develop the topic</b> .		<b>Explains</b> relevant facts, definitions, quotations, and/or details (as well as illustrations, if appropriate) that develop the <b>main idea</b> .
<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	Sentences are out of logical order or lack an evident structure.		Sequences sentences to introduce the topic, develop points, and provide a concluding statement or section.		Sequences sentences <b>and groups related information</b> to introduce the topic, develop points, and provide a concluding statement or section.  Uses linking words phrases (e.g. also, another, and, more, but) to connect ideas.		Sequences sentences and groups related information in <b>paragraphs or sections</b> that introduce the topic, develop points, and provide a concluding statement or section.  <b>Consistently</b> uses linking words/phrases (e.g. also, another, and, more, but) to connect ideas.
<b>CONVENTIONS (GENERAL)</b>	Major errors in standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Errors in standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level <b>sometimes</b> interfere with the clarity of the writing.		<b>Consistently applies</b> standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level. <b>Minor</b> errors, while noticeable, <b>do not interfere</b> with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level, <b>with few errors</b> . <b>Attempts to use untaught conventions, appropriate to grade level</b> .
<b>CONVENTIONS (GRADE 2 EXAMPLES)</b>	Spells many words incorrectly and phonetically  Uses capital letters inconsistently		Spells some frequent-use words (e.g. plural nouns) incorrectly and phonetically  Capitalizes first word in a sentence, "I," proper nouns inconsistently		Spells most regular frequent-use words correctly (e.g. plural nouns)  Capitalizes first word in a sentence, "I," and some proper nouns consistently		Spells most regular frequent-use words correctly and spells irregular frequent-use words conventionally  Capitalizes correctly and consistently with no errors: first word in a sentence, "I," proper nouns



	Uses commas, apostrophes, and end punctuation rarely		Uses commas, apostrophes, and end punctuation inconsistently		Uses commas, apostrophes, and end punctuation consistently		Uses commas, apostrophes, and end punctuation consistently
<b>DISCIPLINARY CONTENT UNDERSTANDING</b>	<i>Add criteria here</i>		<i>Add criteria here</i>		<i>Add criteria here</i>		<i>Add criteria here</i>



**Student Work Rubric: Informational/Explanatory Task, Grade 3**

SCORING ELEMENTS	EMERGING		APPROACHES EXPECTATIONS		MEETS EXPECTATIONS		ADVANCED
	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	3.5	4
<b>TOPIC/MAIN IDEA</b>	Response is off-topic or topic/main idea is unclear.		Introduces the topic and a <b>general</b> main idea, with an <b>inconsistent focus</b> on the main idea.		Introduces the topic and a clear main idea, <b>maintaining a focus</b> on the main idea.		Introduces the topic and a <b>specific</b> main idea, maintaining a <b>consistent</b> focus on the main idea.
<b>USE OF SOURCES</b>	Includes no details from sources related to the topic or prompt.		Includes <b>few</b> details from sources related to the topic or prompt.		Includes details from sources related to the topic <b>and</b> prompt.		Includes <b>well-chosen</b> details from sources related to the topic and prompt.
<b>DEVELOPMENT</b>	Includes facts, definitions and/or details loosely related to the topic.		Includes facts, definitions, and/or details (as well as illustrations, if appropriate) related to the topic with <b>minor inaccurate or incomplete elements</b> .		Includes relevant facts, definitions, and/or details (as well as illustrations, if appropriate) <b>that help develop the topic</b> .		<b>Explains</b> relevant facts, definitions, quotations, and/or details (as well as illustrations, if appropriate) that develop the <b>main idea</b> .
<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	Sentences are out of logical order or lack an evident structure.		Sequences sentences to introduce the topic, develop points, and provide a concluding statement or section.		Sequences sentences <b>and groups related information</b> to introduce the topic, develop points, and provide a concluding statement or section.  Uses linking words/phrases (e.g. also, another, and, more, but) to connect ideas.		Sequences sentences and groups related information in <b>paragraphs or sections</b> that introduce the topic, develop points, and provide a concluding statement or section.  <b>Consistently</b> uses linking words/phrases (e.g. also, another, and, more, but) to connect ideas.
<b>CONVENTIONS (GENERAL)</b>	Major errors in standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Errors in standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level <b>sometimes</b> interfere with the clarity of the writing.		<b>Consistently applies</b> standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level. <b>Minor</b> errors, while noticeable, <b>do not interfere</b> with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level, <b>with few errors. Attempts to use untaught conventions, appropriate to grade level.</b>
<b>CONVENTIONS (GRADE 3 EXAMPLES)</b>	Uses simplistic word choice (e.g. plural and grade-level words) with some errors		Uses simple sentences and simple word choice (e.g. plural and grade-level words)		Uses simple and compound sentences with some errors  Uses grade-level appropriate vocabulary words		Uses simple and compound sentences



	Uses capital letters inconsistently  Uses commas and apostrophes rarely		Capitalizes first word in a sentence, "I," and some proper nouns consistently  Uses commas, apostrophes, possessive nouns, and contractions inconsistently		Capitalizes proper nouns, titles, and sentences appropriately  Uses commas, apostrophes, possessive nouns, and contractions		Uses grade-level and above-grade-level vocabulary words to enhance writing  Uses capital letters and apostrophes, possessive nouns, contractions consistently  Attempts to use quotations or plural possessive.
<b>DISCIPLINARY CONTENT UNDERSTANDING</b>	<i>Add criteria here</i>		<i>Add criteria here</i>		<i>Add criteria here</i>		<i>Add criteria here</i>





**Student Work Rubric: Informational/Explanatory Task, Grades 4–5**

SCORING ELEMENTS	EMERGING		APPROACHES EXPECTATIONS		MEETS EXPECTATIONS		ADVANCED	
	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	3.5	4	
<b>TOPIC/MAIN IDEA</b>	Introduces the topic and an unclear main idea.		Introduces the topic and a <b>clear</b> main idea with an <b>inconsistent focus</b> on the main idea.		Introduces the topic and a clear main idea with a <b>consistent focus</b> on the main idea.		Introduces the topic and a clear and <b>specific</b> main idea with a consistent focus on the main idea.	
<b>USE OF SOURCES</b>	Includes <b>few</b> relevant details from sources.		Summarizes, paraphrases, or quotes relevant details from sources with <b>minor inaccurate or incomplete elements</b> .  Includes a list of sources.		Summarizes, paraphrases, or quotes relevant details from sources.  Includes a list of sources.		Summarizes, paraphrases, or quotes <b>well-chosen</b> details from sources.  Includes a complete list of sources.	
<b>DEVELOPMENT</b>	Includes <b>minimal</b> facts, definitions, details, and/or quotations related to the main idea, or that are loosely related to the main idea.		Includes <b>relevant</b> facts, definitions, concrete details, and/or quotations (as well as illustrations or multimedia when appropriate).		Includes relevant facts, definitions, concrete details, and/or quotations (as well as illustrations or multimedia when appropriate) <b>that help develop the main idea</b> .		<b>Explains</b> facts, definitions, concrete details, and/or quotations (as well as illustrations or multimedia when appropriate) that develop the main idea.	
<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	Sequence of sentences or sections lacks a logical order or an evident beginning, middle, and end.		Sequences sentences and groups related information in paragraphs or sections, <b>with a clear beginning, middle and end</b> .  Uses transitions (e.g. another, for example, also, because) to connect information.		Sequences sentences and groups related information <b>logically</b> in paragraphs or sections that introduce and develop the main idea, and provide a conclusion.  Uses transitions (e.g. another, for example, also, because, in contrast, especially) to connect <b>or compare</b> information.		Sequences sentences and groups related information logically in paragraphs or sections that introduce and develop the main idea, and provide a <b>unifying</b> conclusion.  <b>Consistently and precisely</b> uses transitions (e.g. another, for example, also, because, in contrast, especially) to connect or compare information	
<b>CONVENTIONS</b>	Major errors in standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Errors in standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level <b>sometimes</b> interfere with the clarity of the writing.		<b>Consistently applies</b> standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level. <b>Minor errors</b> , while noticeable, <b>do not interfere</b> with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level, <b>with few errors. Attempts to use untaught conventions, appropriate to grade level.</b>	



	Language use is inappropriate		Uses language and domain-specific vocabulary <b>with minor errors.</b>				
<b>DISCIPLINARY CONTENT UNDERSTANDING</b>	<i>Add criteria here</i>		<i>Add criteria here</i>		<i>Add criteria here</i>		<i>Add criteria here</i>