

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
Topic / Main Idea	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 loosely related to named topic and/or prompt.		Names a topic; response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) is generally related to named topic and/or prompt.		Names a topic; response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) clearly addresses the named topic and the prompt.
Use of Sources	Even with prompting and guidance, does not recall information from sources.		With prompting and guidance, recalls loosely related information from sources.		With prompting and guidance, recalls relevant information from sources.		With minimal guidance , recalls relevant information from sources.
Development	Response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) includes no details related to the topic.		Response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) includes details loosely related to the topic.		Response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) includes details generally related to the topic.		Response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) includes relevant details.
Organization	Parts of the response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) are unconnected.		Parts of the response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) are loosely connected .		Parts of the response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) are generally connected .		All parts of the response (drawing, dictating, and/or writing) are clearly connected .
Conventions (general)	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 sometimes interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level. Minor errors, while noticeable, do not interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level, with few errors . Attempts to use untaught conventions, appropriate to grade level.
Conventions (Kindergarten examples)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 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). 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Most words spelled phonetically ● Inconsistent use of capital letters ● Appropriate spacing between words ● Little to no use of punctuation ● Response shows a general progression (top/bottom, left/right). 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Most frequent-use words spelled correctly ● Some words spelled phonetically ● Inconsistent use of end punctuation ● First word in each sentence capitalized ● Pronoun "I" capitalized ● Response shows a progression (top/bottom, left/right). 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Conventional spelling of frequent-use words ● Phonetic spelling of new words ● Consistent use of end punctuation ● Consistent spacing of words and sentences ● Attempts to use commas and pronouns ● Response shows a clear progression (top/bottom, left/right)
Disciplinary Content Understanding	<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
Topic / Main Idea	Response does not address the prompt, does not name a topic, or is mostly off-topic.		Names a topic; response is loosely related to the prompt and the topic, or is partially off-topic .		Names a topic; response addresses the prompt and is related to the topic.		Names a clear topic; response addresses the prompt and stays focused on the topic .
Use of Sources	Includes no information from sources.		Includes information from sources loosely related to topic.		Includes information from sources related to the topic.		Includes detailed information from sources related to the topic.
Development	Lists no facts or facts unrelated to the topic.		Lists facts loosely related to the topic.		Lists facts related to the topic.		Lists and elaborates on some facts related to the topic.
Organization	Sentences have no evident relationship with each other.		Sentences are related to each other.		Sentences are related to each other; provides a sense of closure .		Sequences sentences with a beginning, middle, and end ; provides a sense of closure.
Conventions (general)	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 sometimes interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level. Minor errors, while noticeable, do not interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level, with few errors . Attempts to use untaught conventions, appropriate to grade level .
Conventions (Grade 1 examples)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Most words spelled phonetically ● Use of capital letters inconsistent ● Appropriate spacing between words ● Little to no use of punctuation 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Most frequent-use words spelled correctly ● Some words spelled phonetically ● End punctuation used inconsistently ● First word in each sentence capitalized ● Pronoun “I” capitalized 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Conventional spelling of frequent-use words ● Phonetic spelling of new words ● Consistent use of end punctuation ● Consistent spacing of words and sentences ● Dates and names capitalized ● Use of commas in dates and series of words 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Holidays, product names and geographic names capitalized ● Use of apostrophe to form contractions ● Conventional spelling of new words
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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
Topic / Main Idea	Response is off-topic or topic/main idea is unclear.		Introduces the topic and a general main idea, with an inconsistent focus on the main idea.		Introduces the topic and a clear main idea, maintaining a focus on the main idea.		Introduces the topic and a specific main idea, maintaining a consistent focus on the main idea.
Use of Sources	Includes no details from sources related to the topic or prompt.		Includes few details from sources related to the topic or prompt.		Includes details from sources related to the topic and prompt.		Includes well-chosen details from sources related to the topic and prompt.
Development	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 minor inaccurate or incomplete elements .		Includes relevant facts, definitions, and/or details (as well as illustrations, if appropriate) that help develop the topic .		Explains relevant facts, definitions, quotations, and/or details (as well as illustrations, if appropriate) that develop the main idea .
Organization	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 and groups related information 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 paragraphs or sections that introduce the topic, develop points, and provide a concluding statement or section. Consistently uses linking words/phrases (e.g., also, another, and, more, but) to connect ideas.
Conventions (general)	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 sometimes interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level. Minor errors, while noticeable, do not interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level, with few errors . Attempts to use untaught conventions, appropriate to grade level.
Conventions (Grade 2 examples)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Spells many words incorrectly and phonetically ● Uses capital letters inconsistently ● Uses commas, apostrophes, and end punctuation rarely 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Spells some frequent-use words (e.g., plural nouns) incorrectly and phonetically ● Capitalizes first word in a sentence, “I,” proper nouns inconsistently ● Uses commas, apostrophes, and end punctuation inconsistently 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Spells most regular frequent-use words correctly (e.g., plural nouns) ● Capitalizes first word in a sentence, “I,” and some proper nouns consistently ● Uses commas, apostrophes, and end punctuation consistently 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 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 consistently
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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
Topic / Main Idea	Response is off-topic or topic/main idea is unclear.		Introduces the topic and a general main idea, with an inconsistent focus on the main idea.		Introduces the topic and a clear main idea, maintaining a focus on the main idea.		Introduces the topic and a specific main idea, maintaining a consistent focus on the main idea.
Use of Sources	Includes no details from sources related to the topic or prompt.		Includes few details from sources related to the topic or prompt.		Includes details from sources related to the topic and prompt.		Includes well-chosen details from sources related to the topic and prompt.
Development	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 minor inaccurate or incomplete elements .		Includes relevant facts, definitions, and/or details (as well as illustrations, if appropriate) that help develop the topic .		Explains relevant facts, definitions, quotations, and/or details (as well as illustrations, if appropriate) that develop the main idea .
Organization	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 and groups related information 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 paragraphs or sections that introduce the topic, develop points, and provide a concluding statement or section. Consistently uses linking words/phrases (e.g., also, another, and, more, but) to connect ideas.
Conventions (general)	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 sometimes interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level. Minor errors, while noticeable, do not interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level, with few errors . Attempts to use untaught conventions, appropriate to grade level.
Conventions (Grade 3 examples)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Uses simplistic word choice (e.g., plural and grade-level words) with some errors ● Uses capital letters inconsistently ● Uses commas, apostrophes rarely 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Uses simple sentences and simple word choice (e.g., plural and grade-level words) ● Capitalizes first word in a sentence, "I," and some proper nouns consistently ● Uses commas, apostrophes, possessive nouns and contractions inconsistently 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Uses simple and compound sentences with some errors ● Uses grade-level appropriate vocabulary words ● Capitalizes proper nouns, titles and sentences appropriately ● Uses commas, apostrophes, possessive nouns, and contractions 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Uses simple and compound sentences ● 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.
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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
Topic / Main Idea	Introduces the topic and an unclear main idea.		Introduces the topic and a clear main idea with an inconsistent focus on the main idea.		Introduces the topic and a clear main idea with a consistent focus on the main idea.		Introduces the topic and a clear and specific main idea with a consistent focus on the main idea.
Use of Sources	Includes few relevant details from sources.		Summarizes, paraphrases, or quotes relevant details from sources with minor inaccurate or incomplete elements . Includes a list of sources.		Summarizes, paraphrases, or quotes relevant details from sources. Includes a list of sources.		Summarizes, paraphrases, or quotes well-chosen details from sources. Includes a complete list of sources.
Development	Includes minimal facts, definitions, details, and/or quotations related to the main idea, or that are loosely related to the main idea.		Includes relevant 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) that help develop the main idea .		Explains facts, definitions, concrete details, and/or quotations (as well as illustrations or multimedia when appropriate) that develop the main idea.
Organization	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, with a clear beginning, middle and end . Uses transitions (e.g., another, for example, also, because) to connect information .		Sequences sentences and groups related information logically 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 or compare information.		Sequences sentences and groups related information logically in paragraphs or sections that introduce and develop the main idea, and provide a unifying conclusion. Consistently and precisely uses transitions (e.g., another, for example, also, because, in contrast, especially) to connect or compare information
Conventions	Major errors in standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level interfere with the clarity of the writing. Language use is inappropriate		Errors in standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level sometimes interfere with the clarity of the writing. Uses language and domain-specific vocabulary with minor errors .		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level. Minor errors , while noticeable, do not interfere with the clarity of the writing.		Consistently applies standard English conventions appropriate to the grade level, with few errors . Attempts to use untaught conventions, appropriate to grade level .
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