

4th – 6th Grade Summary Scoring Rubric

Six Traits	4	3	2	1
IDEAS & CONTENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clearly states the main idea of the story/ article Clearly states significant details by paraphrasing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> States the overall idea of the story/ article States significant details by paraphrasing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Somewhat states the overall idea of the story/article Lists some details by paraphrasing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has no statement of the overall idea of the story/article Lists one or none of the details with little or no paraphrasing
ORGANIZATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clearly states the main idea in the topic sentence Clearly follows the logical sequence of the original story/article 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> States the overall idea in the topic sentence Follows the logical sequence of the original story/article 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Somewhat states the overall idea in the topic sentence Some of the sequencing follows the original story/article 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has no topic sentence with an overall idea Sequencing is erratic and does not follow the original story/article
VOICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formal voice is clearly objective and accurate for the story/article 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formal voice is objective and accurate for the story/article most of the time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited formal voice is somewhat objective and accurate for the story/article 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of formal voice appropriate for the story/article
SENTENCE FLUENCY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sentences flow naturally Sentence length and type vary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most sentences flow Most sentence lengths and types vary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limited number of sentences flow Limited number of sentences vary in length and type 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sentences are choppy and uneven Sentence length and type are mainly identical
WORD CHOICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clearly paraphrases with vivid descriptive language 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paraphrases with descriptive language 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Somewhat paraphrases with some descriptive language 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uses the original language of the story/article
CONVENTIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contains few, if any errors in capitalization, punctuation, spelling, and grammar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contains some errors in capitalization, punctuation, spelling and grammar that do not interfere with the meaning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contains several errors in capitalization, punctuation, spelling and grammar that may interfere with the meaning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contains many errors in capitalization, punctuation, spelling and grammar that interfere with the meaning