

# General Traits (All Levels)

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Stuc	dent: Date:	
<b>Instructions:</b> Check the box next to each number that best describes the student's writing.		
Id	<mark>eas</mark>	
	4. Focuses on accurate and relevant details; makes original, developed, and creative connections	
	3. Addresses ideas and details in broader terms, yet is clear enough for readers to follow	
	2. Basic ideas; details are limited	
	1. Ideas suggested but may not be clearly stated; little to no details	
Or	ganization	
	4. Ideas and details well organized and fit the purpose; effective transitions enhance meaning	
	3. Ideas and details well organized but more predictable; some unnecessary ideas and details; transitions may disrupt flow at times	
	<ol><li>Fairly well organized ideas and details but may be overly structured; inconsistent or predictable structure; transitions don't create solid connections</li></ol>	
	<ol> <li>Needs more structure and organization; transitions are limited or absent; introduction and conclusion are brief and not developed</li> </ol>	
Vo	o <mark>ice</mark>	
	4. Connects to audience to clearly deliver a purposeful message	
	3. Approaches audience in more general terms; disconnects from audience at times	
	2. Audience not consistently established; voice is inappropriate at times	
	1. Little engagement with an audience; voice is limited or absent	
W	ord Choice	
	4. Words extremely specific, powerful, and engaging	
	3. Words specific and powerful, but may be excessive at times	

2. Words are content appropriate, but may lack diversity and expression

1. Limited variation in language used throughout; words are vague and characterized by

everyday language



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## **Sentence Fluency**

- 4. Writing flows extremely smoothly and varies in sentence type, enhancing meaning
- 3. Writing flows smoothly, but lacks sentence variations at times
- 2. Writing moves along, yet sentences lack uniformity and complexity
- 1. Sentences often abrupt and choppy; flow often mechanical

### Conventions

- 4. Spelling, grammar, and punctuation extremely accurate and effective
- 3. Spelling, grammar, and punctuation generally accurate with few errors
- 2. Basic grammar and word usage; errors are more frequent and affect meaning at times
- 1. Spelling, grammar, and punctuation errors frequent, often affecting overall meaning

#### **Presentation**

- **4.** Handwriting or typing, and additional text features (headings, bullets, and so on) meticulous and enhance overall meaning
- 3. Format generally neat, enhancing overall meaning
- Overall format of the finished product inconsistent, affecting meaning
- Highly inconsistent or distracting elements evident in finished product; components such as title may be limited or absent

