

# Narrative Writing Rubric - 3rd grade



## NARRATIVE PERFORMANCE TASK SCORING RUBRIC

Purpose/Organization			
4	3	2	1
<b>Organization fully sustained, clear focus:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an effective, unified plot</li> <li>• effectively establishes setting, develops narrator/ characters, and maintains point of view</li> <li>• transitions clarify relationships between and among ideas</li> <li>• logical sequence of events</li> <li>• effective opening and closure for audience and purpose</li> </ul>	<b>Organization adequately sustained, focus generally maintained:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• evident plot, but loose connections</li> <li>• adequately maintains a setting, develops narrator/ characters, and/ or maintains point of view</li> <li>• adequate use of transitional strategies</li> <li>• adequate sequence of events</li> <li>• adequate opening and closure for audience and purpose</li> </ul>	<b>Organization somewhat sustained, may have an uneven focus:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• inconsistent plot, flaws evident</li> <li>• unevenly maintains a setting, develops narrator and/ or characters, and/ or maintains point of view</li> <li>• uneven use of transitional strategies, little variety</li> <li>• weak or uneven sequence of events</li> <li>• weak opening and closure</li> </ul>	<b>Organization may be maintained but may have little or no focus:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• little or no discernible plot or may just be a series of events</li> <li>• brief or no attempt to establish a setting, narrator and/ or characters, and/ or point of view</li> <li>• few or no transitional strategies</li> <li>• little or no organization of an event sequence, extraneous ideas</li> <li>• no opening and/ or closure</li> </ul>
Development/Elaboration			
4	3	2	1
<b>Effective elaboration using details, dialogue, and description:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• experiences and events are clearly expressed</li> <li>• effective use of relevant source material</li> <li>• effective use of a variety of narrative techniques</li> <li>• effective use of sensory, concrete, and figurative language</li> </ul>	<b>Adequate elaboration using details, dialogue, and description:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• experiences and events are adequately expressed</li> <li>• adequate use of source material contributes to the narration</li> <li>• adequate use of a variety of narrative techniques</li> <li>• adequate use of sensory, concrete, and figurative language</li> </ul>	<b>Uneven elaboration using partial details, dialogue, and description:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• experiences and events are unevenly expressed</li> <li>• weak use of source material that may be vague, abrupt, or imprecise</li> <li>• narrative techniques are uneven and inconsistent</li> <li>• partial or weak use of sensory, concrete, and figurative language</li> </ul>	<b>Minimal elaboration using few or no details, dialogue, and description:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• experiences and events may be vague, lack clarity, or confusing</li> <li>• little or no use of source material</li> <li>• minimal or incorrect use of narrative techniques</li> <li>• little or no use of sensory, concrete, and figurative language</li> </ul>
Conventions			
	2	1	0
[not applicable]	<b>Adequate command of conventions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• adequate use of correct punctuation, capitalization, usage, grammar, and spelling</li> <li>• few errors</li> </ul>	<b>Partial command of conventions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• limited use of correct punctuation, capitalization, usage, grammar, and spelling</li> <li>• some patterns of errors</li> </ul>	<b>Little or no command of conventions:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• infrequent use of correct punctuation, capitalization, usage, grammar, and spelling</li> <li>• systematic patterns of errors</li> </ul>

**NOTE:** For Purpose/Organization and Development/Elaboration, responses that are unintelligible, in a language other than English, off-topic, copied text, or off-purpose should receive a score of **NS** (no score). However, off-purpose responses should receive a numeric score for Conventions.



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