**Narrative Rubric**

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| **Name:** |   | **Title:** | A Day I’ll Never Forget |



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| 3 | **Ideas** |
| The writing . . .* focuses on a specific experience or time in the writer’s life.
* uses sensory details and dialogue to show rather than tell.
* makes the reader want to know what happens next.
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| 3 | **Organization** |
| * pulls the reader into the story.
* includes a beginning, a middle, and an ending.
* gives the events in an order that is easy to follow.
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| 3 | **Voice** |
| * shows the writer’s personality.
* sounds honest and engaging.
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| 3 | **Word Choice** |
| * contains specific nouns, vivid verbs, and colorful modifiers.
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| 2 | **Sentence Fluency** |
| * flows smoothly from one idea to the next.
* uses a variety of sentence lengths and beginnings.
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| 3 | **Conventions** |
| * uses correct punctuation, capitalization, spelling, and grammar.
* uses the format provided by the teacher or follows another effective design.
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**Comments**: This sounds like a fun experience. However, your writing would have had more life if it had included dialogue and your personal thoughts while you were waiting to tube. More description of the lake, the boat, and its passengers would have added interest to the narrative as well.

Your narrative would read more smoothly by combining some of the shorter sentences.

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