**Writing Rubric**

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|  | **Structure** |
| * The writing contains a beginning, a middle, and an ending. * The beginning contains a strong lead sentence and names the focus or thesis. * The middle paragraphs support the focus. * The ending restates the focus and gives an important final thought. * The writing follows one main pattern of organization. | |
|  | **Ideas** |
| * The writing has an interesting topic, a clear focus or thesis, and strong support. * The writing uses specific words and varied, smooth reading sentences. * The words and sentences match the writer’s purpose and assignment. * The language sounds sincere and natural. | |
|  | **Conventions** |
| * The writing follows the basic rules of grammar, spelling, and punctuation. * Words are capitalized correctly. | |

**Comments:**

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