Narrative Assessment Rubric

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Use the following checklist to evaluate your narrative or that of a classmate for the traits of effective writing.

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|  | **Stimulating IDEAS** |
|  | ***The narrative . . .***   * focuses on a specific experience or event. * contains specific details and, if possible, dialogue. * makes readers want to know what happens next. |
|  | **Logical ORGANIZATION** |
|  | ***The narrative . . .***   * includes a clear beginning that pulls readers into the story. * presents the ideas chronologically (according to time). * reflects on the importance of the experience or time. |
|  | **Engaging VOICE** |
|  | ***The narrative . . .***   * shows that the writer is truly interested in the subject. * speaks with enthusiasm and energy. |
|  | **Original WORD CHOICE** |
|  | ***The narrative . . .***   * contains specific nouns, verbs, and modifiers. |
|  | **Effective SENTENCE STYLE** |
|  | ***The narrative . . .***   * flows smoothly from one idea to the next. * includes sentences that vary in length and in the way they begin. |
|  | **Correct, Accurate COPY** |
|  | ***The narrative . . .***   * follows the basic rules of writing. * uses the format suggested by the teacher. |