

Kid-Friendly Writing Rubrics

Lesson Series 14

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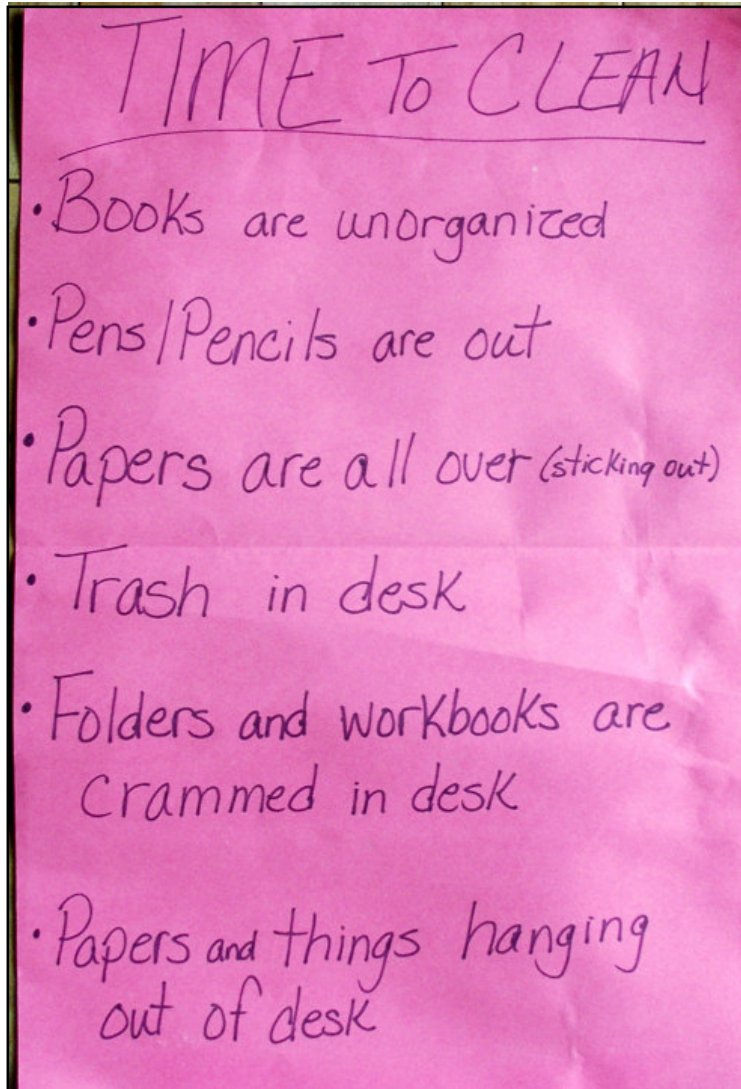
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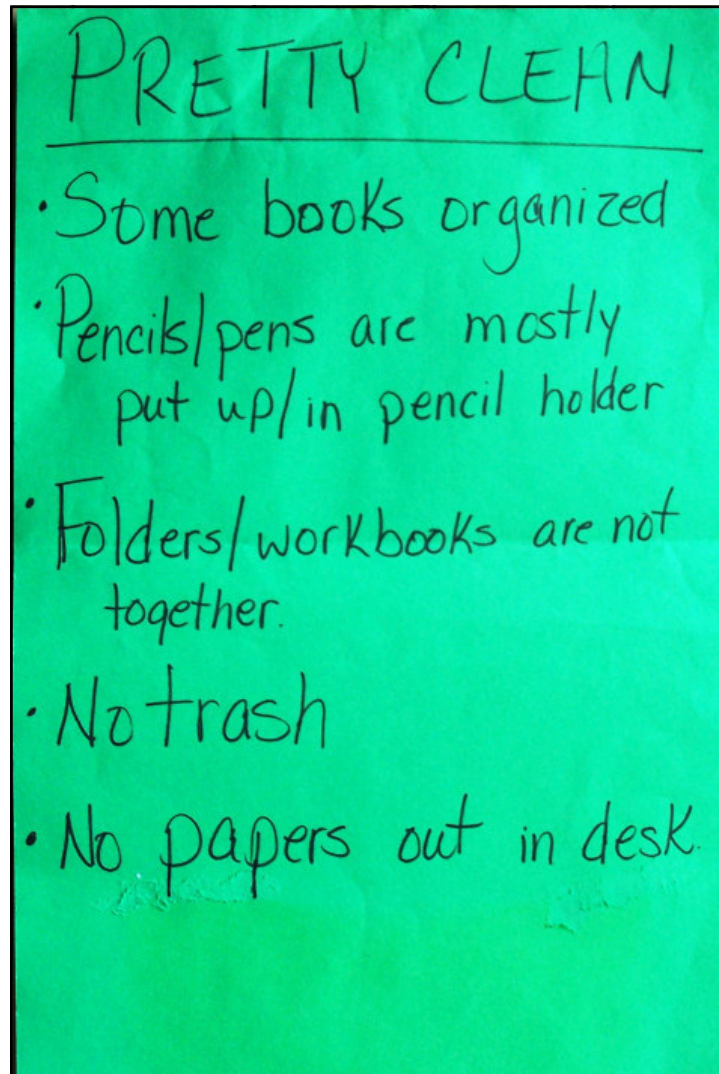
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Level 1



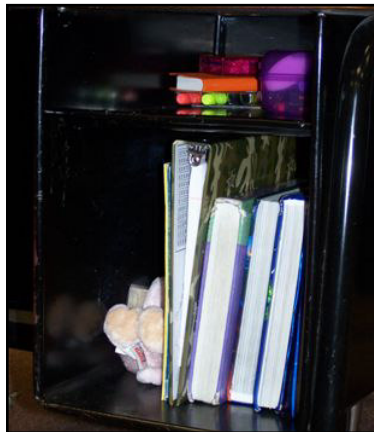
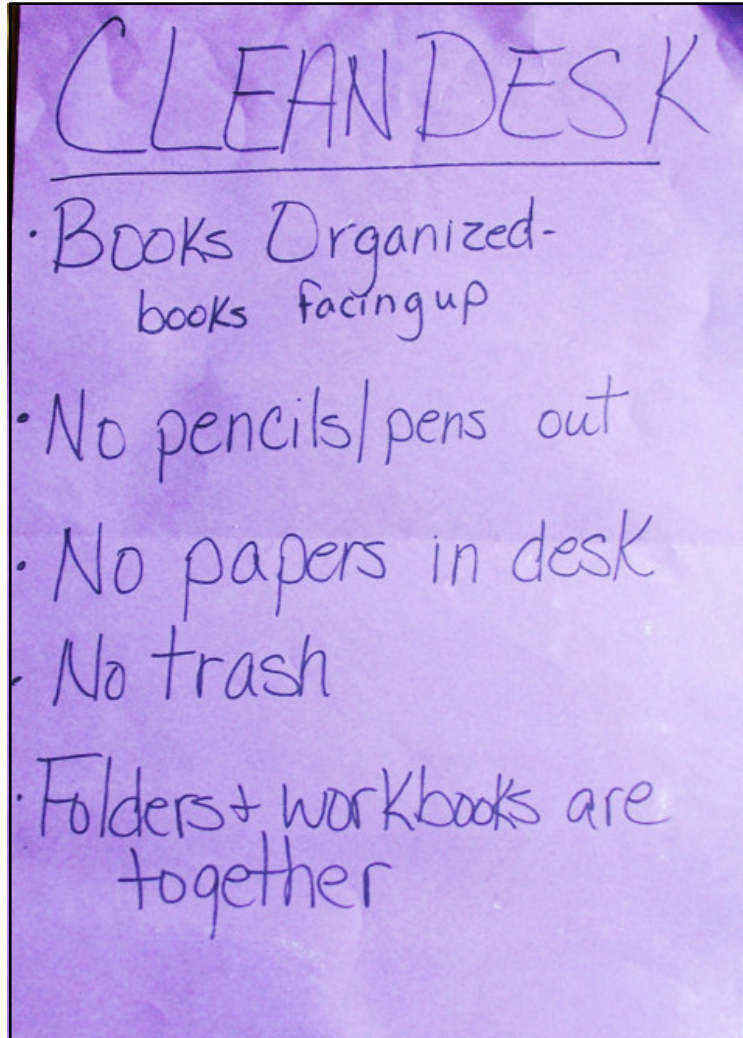
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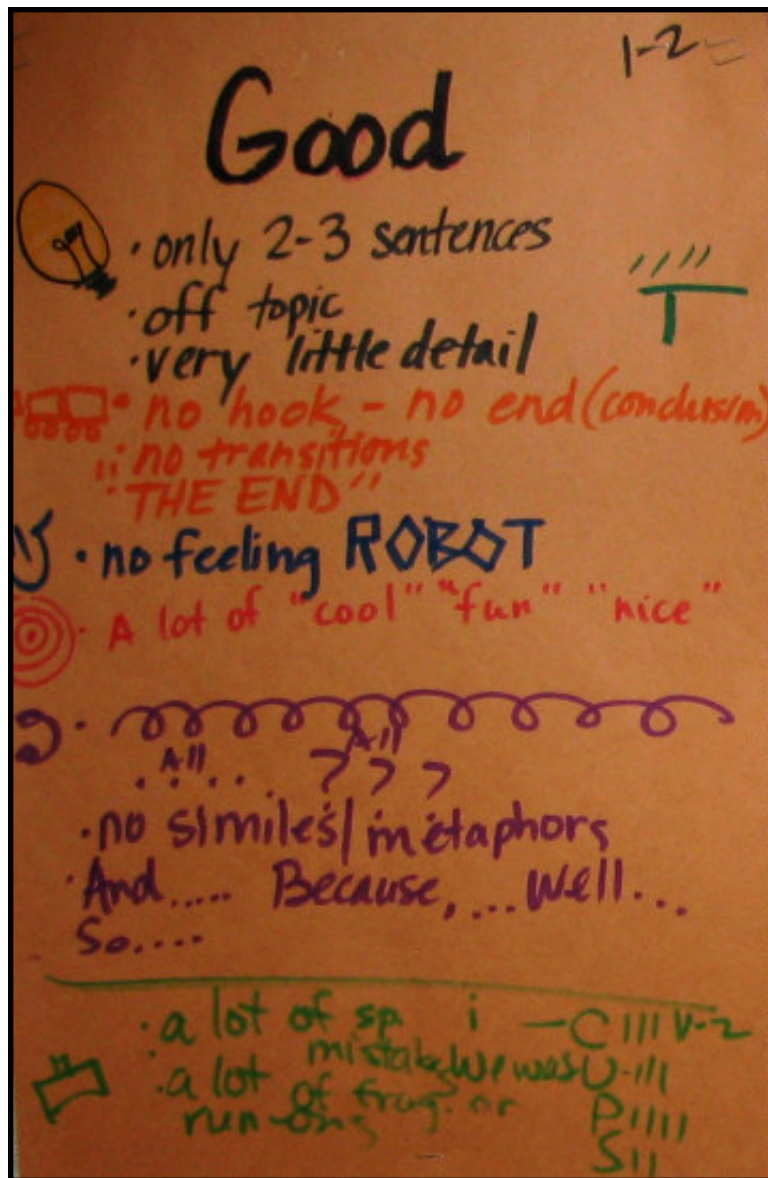
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Level 5



6-Traits Kid-Friendly Rubric

Level 1



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Level 3

3/4

Better

- some supporting sentences
- not many details
- may go off topic but come back
- list of details

☹️ • Beg. might be BORING zzzzz

- too much dialogue
- out of order
- weaker transitions
- might forget beg. or end (conclusion)

👎 • little feeling

- only looking at surface / not diff. perspectives
- might not have audience

🎯 • Some exact or sparkle words 2-5!

📄 • too many simp sentences

- I, I, I, I, Then, Then, Then

✍️ • run-on

- couple of errors
- couple cap. errors

6-Traits Kid-Friendly Rubric

Level 5

5/6

Best

- At least
- 3 Supporting sentences
- At least 3 detail sentences on topic (narrow)

☞ BME (Beg./Middle/End)

- Hook the reader
- Order makes sense
- transitions

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- strong feelings
- different perspective - pt of view

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- several SPARKLE words (verbs, nouns, adjs)
- exact words 50+ more?
- wackies

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- Diff. beginnings
- simile - like-as - comp.
- FIGURATIVE LANG. drip drip drip

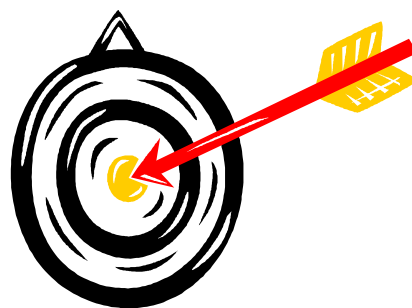
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- very few words misspelled
- most capitals correct
- no run-ons

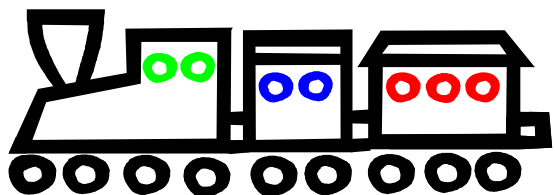
6-Traits Icons to Utilize within Writing Rubrics



Ideas



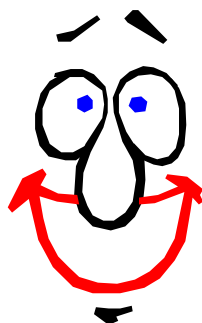
Word Choice



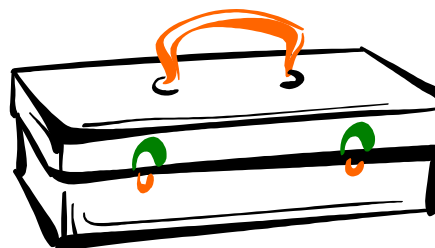
Organization



Sentence Fluency

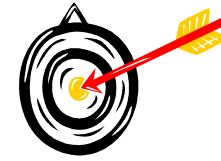


Voice









Conventions

Word Choice Rubric







Level 1	Level 3	Level 5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Few words that describe. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some words that describe. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lots of WOW words that describe.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sleepy, boring verbs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>got</i> <i>put</i> <i>took</i> <i>made</i> <i>said</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Interesting verbs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>won</i> <i>dropped</i> <i>grabbed</i> <i>cooked</i> <i>screamed</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exciting, splashy, WOW verbs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>earned</i> <i>tossed</i> <i>snatched</i> <i>prepared</i> <i>screached</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doesn't paint a clear picture. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>My brother was mad.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paints a blurry word-picture. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>My brother clenched his fists in anger.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Paints a picture with words. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>My brother stood stiff. His teeth were clenched. His fists were clenched. His whole face was clenched. I'd never seen him so mad.</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doesn't use any figurative language. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uses some figurative language. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Uses lots of figurative language. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Similes (<i>like, as</i>) Metaphors (<i>something is something else</i>) Onomatopoeia (<i>BAM! ZOOM! BUZZ!</i>) Personification (<i>give human characteristics to nonhuman things</i>) Alliteration (<i>Peter Piper picked a peck of pickled peppers.</i>)

Building a Kid-Friendly 6-Traits Rubric

	①	③	⑤
 IDEAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Few/No details • Writer doesn't know much about topic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some details — need more • Writer knows a little about topic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Lots</u> of interesting details • Writer sounds like an expert on topic
 ORG.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Order does <u>NOT</u> make sense • Middle only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some ideas out of order • BM — no <u>end</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Order makes sense & easy to follow • BME — all 3!
 VOICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reader is bored. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some boring parts — some interesting parts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reader enjoyed the whole thing
 WORD CHOICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All R.I.P. words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some R.I.P. & some "wow" words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tons of "wow" words
 SENT. FLUENCY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sentences all sound same 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • most of the sent. sound the same 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different types of sentences
 CONV.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tons of mistakes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • many mistakes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Few/No mistakes

Updating a Kid-Friendly 6-Traits Rubric

	①	③	⑤
 IDEAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Few/No details Writer doesn't know much about topic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some details — need more Writer knows a little about topic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lots of interesting details Writer sounds like an expert on topic
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Topic is too big, too broad 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Topic is still a little too big 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Small & narrow topic
 ORG.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Order does NOT make sense Middle only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some ideas out of order BM — no <u>end</u> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Order makes sense & easy to follow BME — all 3!
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No transitions And... And... And 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weak trans. ... And then... But... Because... ... So... 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Smooth transitions ... First... Then... Later... After that... ... Finally...
 VOICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reader is bored. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some boring parts — some interesting parts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reader enjoyed the whole thing
 WORD CHOICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All R.I.P. words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some R.I.P. & some "wow" words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tons of "wow" words
 SENT. FLUENCY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sentences all sound same 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> most of the sent. sound the same 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Different types of sentences
 CONV.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tons of mistakes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> many mistakes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Few/No mistakes