

Student Friendly Language Arts Gateway Rubric

Domain 1: Development, Analysis, and Interpretation. How well you demonstrate an understanding of all parts of the assigned task.					
5	4	3	2	1	Weight = 3
You fully explained all parts of the assigned task with specific details & included an in-depth analysis of ideas and relationships related to the task. Ideas and concepts were fully developed and focused on the assigned task.	You explained all parts of the assigned task with specific details; one part may not have been as fully developed as the other, and you included an effective analysis of ideas and relationships related to the task. Most of your ideas and concepts were well developed and focused on the assigned task.	You explained most parts of the assigned task with some details and included analysis of some ideas and relationships related to the task. Most ideas and concepts were developed and focused on the assigned task.	You addressed the assigned task, but explanations were incomplete and ideas and relationships related to the task were only partially addressed. Ideas and concepts were minimally developed. Some of your ideas were focused on the assigned task.	Your attempts to address the assigned task were unclear or incorrect and ideas and relationships related to the task were not addressed. Your ideas were unclear, irrelevant, or incorrect. You did not write enough to demonstrate an understanding of the assigned task.	_____/15
Domain 2: Expression of Knowledge of the Topic/Subject. How much relevant, correct prior knowledge and academic vocabulary you included in your paper.					
5	4	3	2	1	Weight = 2
Your paper contained extensive correct information beyond what is in the documents. You used extensive academic vocabulary throughout your paper and effectively used the provided documents.	Your paper contained relevant and correct information beyond what is in the documents. You consistently used relevant academic vocabulary in your paper and used the provided documents appropriately.	Your paper contained generally relevant and correct information beyond what is in the documents. You generally used appropriate academic vocabulary in most of your paper and generally used the provided documents appropriately.	Your paper contained a mixture of correct and incorrect information or was limited to information in the provided documents. You used a mixture of appropriate and inappropriate academic vocabulary. Sometimes you used the documents appropriately; sometimes you simply copied information from the documents.	Your paper did not contain correct information. You did not use appropriate academic vocabulary. You did not use the provided documents appropriately or did not write enough to demonstrate prior knowledge.	_____/10
Domain 3: Organization of Concepts. How well you organized your ideas.					
5	4	3	2	1	Weight = 3
All parts of your organizational plan were effective and appropriate and ideas were effectively sequenced. Your introduction and conclusion were effective for the assigned task and appropriate to the purpose. You used an extensive variety of transition words and phrases; all of your ideas are logically linked to the ideas that precede and follow it.	Most parts of your organizational plan were effective and appropriate and ideas were appropriately sequenced. Your introduction and conclusion are effective for the assigned task. You used extensive variety of transition words and phrases.	Your organizational plan is generally appropriate and ideas were clearly sequenced. Your introduction and conclusion were clear. You used some transition words.	You demonstrated little evidence of an organizational plan or organizational plan is inappropriate to the assigned task or ideas were not clearly sequenced in parts of the paper. Your paper lacked an introduction or conclusion or contained an ineffective introduction or conclusion. Your transitions were ineffective.	Your attempts at organization were not effective or ideas were not sequenced in a clear order. Your paper lacked an introduction and/or conclusion. You did not use transitions. There is not enough written to demonstrate an organizational plan	_____/15
Domain 4: Conventions: How well you demonstrated control of sentence formation, usage, and mechanics (citations, punctuation, spelling, capitalization, and paragraph breaks)					
5	4	3	2	1	Weight = 2
Your sentences were extensively varied, clear, and effective in all parts of your paper. All elements of usage were consistently correct. All elements of mechanics were consistently correct. There were very few errors in your paper.	Your sentences were varied, clear and generally effective. Most elements of usage and mechanics were consistently correct. There were few errors in your paper.	Your sentences were generally correct, but there may have been some fragments and run-ons. Usage and mechanics are generally effective. Errors did not prevent the reader from understanding your ideas.	Your simple sentences were correct, but there were frequent fragments and run-ons in your paper. Your paper contained a mixture of correct and incorrect usage and mechanics. Some errors interfered with the reader's understanding of your ideas.	Your sentences were incorrect, inappropriate, or unclear. Usage and mechanics were incorrect, inappropriate, or unclear. Your paper contained severe errors that prevented the reader from understanding your ideas.	_____/10
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