

## Narrative Writing Rubric

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Category	Exceptional: 20 or 10	Good – Adequate – Lacking			Did Not Meet: 0
Storyline /20	There is a clear plot structure for the story. Events are well paced and we as readers understand where the beginning, middle, and end are.	15	10	5	There is not a clear timeline for the beginning, middle, or end of the story. The story rambles from point to point without getting anywhere.
Character Development /20	Characters are complex and developed. We know who they are, can connect with them personally, and see them grow or transform. We understand why they do what they do.	15	10	5	Characters are simple and underdeveloped. We know little to nothing about them and saw no growth or transformation; it's hard to understand why they do what they do.
Figurative Language /20	Figurative language devices help the story “come alive”. Descriptions are vivid and create pictures for the reader.	15	10	5	No figurative language has been used to enhance the narrative. Descriptions are flat and boring.
Topic /20	The story is about a dream that has come true or will come true. All elements stay focused and on topic.	15	10	5	The story is about something unrelated to the given topic OR the story elements wander from the topic.
Editing and Conventions /10	Writer makes no errors in grammar, spelling, or formatting that distract the reader from the content.	8 - 7	6 - 5	4 - 3	Writer makes consistent errors in grammar, spelling, or formatting that distract the reader and make the essay hard to read.

<p><b>Additional Feedback:</b></p>          
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