**Assessment Rubric**

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| Name: |  | Date: |  |

Rate your writing from 1 (incomplete) to 6 (amazing) for each trait below. Add the scores together and divide by the number of traits (6) to find your overall score.

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|  | **STIMULATING IDEAS** |
|  | ***The writing . . .**** maintains a clear, specific focus or purpose.
* presents information that elaborates on the focus.
* holds the reader’s attention and answers questions about the topic.
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|  | **LOGICAL ORGANIZATION** |
|  | ***The writing . . .**** includes a clear beginning, middle, and ending.
* contains specific details—arranged in the best order—to support the main ideas.
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|  | **ENGAGING VOICE** |
|  | ***The writing . . .**** speaks to the intended audience.
* shows that the writer cares about the topic.
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|  | **ORIGINAL WORD CHOICE** |
|  | ***The writing . . .**** contains specific nouns, active verbs, and colorful modifiers.
* presents an appropriate level of formality or informality.
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|  | **EFFECTIVE SENTENCE STYLE** |
|  | ***The writing . . .**** flows smoothly from sentence to sentence.
* displays varied sentence beginnings and lengths.
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|  | **CORRECT, ACCURATE COPY** |
|  | ***The writing . . .**** has correct punctuation, capitalization, spelling, usage, and grammar.
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