Autobiographical 5-Paragraph Essay Rubric

Benchmark	Advanced	Proficient	Partially Proficient	Novice	Not Done
Writing Types	Introduction	Introduction	Introduction	Introduction	
& Purposes 8.W.3- Write narratives to develop real or imagined experiences or	 Engage and orient the reader by establishing a context and point of view by connecting a story to topic. Organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically. 	□ Engages reader using a story or quote type of introduction. Organize an event sequence that unfolds naturally and logically.	Basic engagement of reader. Uses basic introduction of asking a question.	Does not engage reader. Uses basic introduction which refers to author. "I am going to tell you about"	
events using effective technique, relevant descriptive details, and well-structured event sequences.	Use narrative techniques, such as dialogue. pacing. description, and reflection, to develop experiences, events, and/or characters. Use precise words and phrases, relevant descriptive details, and sensory language to capture the action and convey experiences and events.	□ Style Pacing and development of experience/events capture the action and outcome of the lesson.	Descriptions of events and outcomes very minimal. No details	□ Style No dialogue used. Descriptions of events and outcomes very minimal. No details	
	☐ Transitions Use a variety of transition phrases, and clauses to convey sequence, signal shifts from one time frame or setting to another, and show the relationships among experiences and events.	☐ Transitions Basic transitions (first, next, last) are used.	☐ Transitions Basic transitions (first, next, last) are used, but not all body paragraphs have one.	☐ Transitions No transitions used.	
	□ Conclusion Provides a conclusion that follows form by reviewing what was learned, reflects on how life has changed because of person/event, and chooses a quote to sum up the experiences.	Conclusion Conclusion follows form by reviewing what was learned and reflects on how life has changed because of person/event.	□ Conclusion Basic conclusion that reviews who/event and what was learned.	Conclusion Conclusion is basic and refers to author. "I hope you learned about me"	

Production of		With some guidance and	
Writing - 8.W.5	With some guidance and	support from peers and adults,	
	support from peers and adults,	develop and strengthen	
	develop and strengthen	writing as needed by	
	writing as needed by	planning, revising, editing,	
	planning, revising, editing,	rewriting, or trying a new	
	rewriting, or trying a new	approach, focusing on how	
	approach, focusing on how	well purpose and audience	
	well purpose and audience	have been addressed.	
	have been addressed.	☐ Paper has been peer	
	☐ Paper has been Peer	edited	
	edited	☐ Correction have not	
	☐ Correction have	been made	
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8.L.2 - Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English capitalization, punctuation, and spelling when writing.		Spell correctly.		1-2 errors in spelling, punctuation, and grammar		3 errors in spelling, punctuation, and grammar		4 or more errors in spelling, punctuation, and grammar	
Rules for Writing a Paper	0 0 0 0	Final draft is typed in 12 pt. Times New Roman font and printed on white paper in black ink. Writing is double-spaced. All paragraphs are indented No profanity. Paper is headed correctly.						Final draft is not typed in black, 12 pt., Times New Roman font. Writing is not double-spaced. One or more paragraphs are not indented There is profanity. Paper is not headed correctly.	