

Name: _____

Date: _____

Writing to Inform Rubric

Assignment: _____

	4	3	2	1
Lead	First paragraph has an extraordinary "attention grabber" or catchy beginning.	First paragraph has an "attention grabber".	A catchy beginning was attempted but was weak or confusing rather than catchy.	No attempt was made to catch the reader's attention in the first paragraph.
Development	My paper is well developed and I have more than enough information to inform the reader about the topic. The information is clearly presented with lots of elaboration.	My paper is fairly well developed and I have enough information to inform the reader about the topic. The information is clearly presented with some elaboration.	My paper has little development and a minimum amount of information. The information does not clearly explain the topic and some of it might even interfere with my explanation.	I saw the prompt and tried to write a response. I wrote very little and what I wrote is confusing or inaccurate.
Inclusion of Details	There are plenty of specific details that more than adequately explain the topic.	There are some specific details that adequately explain the topic but some of the details may not really help explain.	I used details but they may be the wrong details or they may not help to explain the topic.	If I have details they are not enough to explain the topic.
Organization	I have a clear organization and I don't stray from it.	I have an organization and I try to stick to it.	I have an organization but I stray from it at times.	If I do have an organization it is not clear or I stray far from it.
Voice	I frequently use language choices to maintain a style or a tone.	I use language choices to maintain a style or a tone.	I did not really make any language choices to help with style or tone.	I did not use any language choices to help with style or tone.
Spelling and Grammar	I have no spelling or grammar errors.	I have 1-3 spelling or grammar errors.	I have 4-5 spelling or grammar errors.	I have more than 5 spelling or grammar errors.

21-24pts

18-20pts

15-17pts

<15pts

Overall Grade: _____

Comments: