First Grade Writing Rubric

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Ideas & Content *no detail	Ideas & Content *little detail	Ideas & Content *some detail	Ideas & Content *significant, accurate detail
Organization *random, unrelated order	Organization *omits beginning, middle or end	Organization *shows beginning, middle and end, but without transition words	Organization *clear beginning, middle and end, with transition words
Word Choice *does not demonstrate knowledge of every day words	Word Choice *occasionally misuses words or misunderstands meaning of words; *uses some learned high-freq. words	Word Choice *begins to use descriptive words; *uses many learned high-freq. words; *begins to use natural tone	Word Choice *variety of descriptive words; *uses many learned vocab. words; *uses natural tone
*writes in fragmented sentences; *writes run-on sentences; *writes only random words	Sentence Fluency *writes in simple sentences; *uses repetitive sentence patterns	Sentence Fluency *varies sentence patterns; *writes in complete sentences	Sentence Fluency *variety of sentence patterns; *consistently writes complete sent.
Conventions *makes many capitalization errors; *makes many punctuation errors; *makes many grammar errors	Conventions *makes some capitalization errors; *makes some punctuation errors; *makes some grammar errors	Conventions *applies capitalization rules; *applies punctuation rules; *applies grammar rules	Conventions *free of capitalization errors; *free of punctuation errors; *free of grammar errors
Spelling *uses only beginning sounds	Spelling *uses phonetic spelling	Spelling *progressing towards conventional sp.	Spelling *consistent conventional spelling
Presentation *forms letters incorrectly; *writes illegibly	Presentation *writes legibly; *some letter reversals; *inconsistent spacing	Presentation *writes legibly; *applies spacing rules	Presentation *writes legibly; *free of spacing errors