

Rubric for Narrative Writing

The main purpose of a rubric is to help you do your best work. Use the rubric to make sure you understand what you are expected to learn. Is all of your work best described by column 4? If not, what can you improve? If you have access to a printer, you may want to print the rubric for reference as you work through the activities. Ask your teacher for help if you have any questions about the rubric.

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Interview Questions	All questions are open-ended. All questions are relevant.	Almost all questions are open-ended. Almost all questions are relevant.	Some questions are open-ended. Some questions are relevant.	Few or no questions are open-ended. Few or no questions are relevant.
Narrative Topic	A narrative essay is the best way to approach the topic. The topic is focused and interesting to most readers.	A narrative essay is a good way to approach the topic. The topic is focused and interesting to some readers.	A narrative essay is one way to approach the topic, but it is not the best way. The topic is focused but may not be interesting to readers.	A narrative essay is not a good way to approach the topic. The topic is too broad to be covered adequately.
Writing Mechanics	All words are spelled and capitalized correctly. All sentences are punctuated correctly.	Almost all words are spelled and capitalized correctly. Almost all sentences are punctuated correctly.	Several words are misspelled or capitalized incorrectly. Several sentences are punctuated incorrectly.	Many words are misspelled and capitalized incorrectly. Many sentences are punctuated incorrectly.