

Holistic Score	0	1	2	3
Qualities of Writing	0,1,2	3,4,5,6	7,8,9	10,11,12
Ideas	Writing shows little or no development of story.	Tells a story with ideas that are minimally focused on the topic and developed with limited and/or general details.	Tells a story with ideas that are somewhat focused on the topic and are developed with a mix of specific and/or general details.	Tells a story with ideas that are clearly focused on the topic and thoroughly developed with specific, relevant details.
Organization	The writing may contain an element of story.	The writing contains some of the elements of story.	The writing contains many of the elements of story.	The writing contains most of the elements of story.

2nd Grade Elements of Story:

- Writes a narrative in which they recount three or more appropriately sequenced events.
- Includes details regarding what happened.
- Uses transitional words to signal event order.
- Provides closure at the end of the story.

Style	Uses basic vocabulary and sentences.	Limited use of language and begins to use effective word choice.	Adequate command of language keeps the readers' interest by using effective word choices such as descriptive words and/or specific nouns.	Command of language keeps the readers' interest by consistently using effective word choices such as descriptive words, strong verbs, and/or specific nouns.
Conventions	Writing shows little use of grade level appropriate writing conventions.	Writing shows consistent use of a few grade level appropriate writing conventions.	Writing shows consistent use of many grade level appropriate writing conventions.	Writing shows consistent use of grade level appropriate writing conventions.

2nd Grade Conventions:

- Uses conventional spelling for grade appropriate sight words and word families.
- Uses phonetic spelling for other words.
- Produces and expands complete simple and compound sentences.
- Capitalizes dates and names of people
- Uses end punctuation: period, exclamation, question mark
- Handwriting is neat and easy to read with correct formation of letters both upper and lower case with spacing between words.

Grading Scale:

12= 100% A 9= 88% B+ 6= 78% C+ 3=68% D+ 0= 59% E

11= 95% A 8= 85% B 5= 75% C 2= 65% D

10= 90% A- 7= 80% B- 4= 70% C- 1= 60% D-

