**Teacher Checklist: Information Writing**

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| ***Introduction*** | Excellent | Getting There | Not Yet |
| Is there a lead that engages the reader? |  |  |  |
| Does the introduction identify the topic clearly?  |  |  |  |
| Does the introduction preview what is to follow? |  |  |  |
| ***Development of Ideas*** |  |  |  |
| Are the topics and subtopics presented in a logical, organized way?  |  |  |  |
| Is there sufficient detail and elaboration? |  |  |  |
| Are the ideas and information clear and focused? |  |  |  |
| Is evidence from sources integrated effectively? |  |  |  |
| Are transitions used to create cohesion? |  |  |  |
| Is the style, tone, and language appropriate to the audience, task, and purpose? |  |  |  |
| ***Content*** |  |  |  |
| Are the content requirements met?  |  |  |  |
| Is the content explained sufficiently?  |  |  |  |
| Does the writing demonstrate understanding of content? |  |  |  |
| Is the information accurate and relevant? |  |  |  |
| Does the piece include precise language and subject-specific vocabulary?  |  |  |  |
| ***Conclusion*** |  |  |  |
| Does the conclusion highlight and support the key points? |  |  |  |
| Does the conclusion create closure to the piece? |  |  |  |
| ***Sources*** |  |  |  |
| If sources were used, were they credible? |  |  |  |
| Was the information properly cited? |  |  |  |

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| ***Conventions*** | Yes | No |
| Is there a systematic pattern of errors? |  |  |
| Are there any capitalization or punctuation mistakes? |  |  |
| Are there any spelling mistakes? |  |  |
| Are the sentences grammatically correct? |  |  |

What I like about this writing piece:

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Additional Comments or Suggestions:

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