TEAL Writing assessment criteria

Task 8: Story innovation

Student: Sample 5

Date: _____

Level of achievement	Communication	Cultural conventions	Linguistic structures and features				Strategies	EAL curriculum levels
			Text structure	Grammatical features	Vocabulary	Writing conventions		A1/BL/CL B1/C1 A2/B2
Level 4	Demonstrates good understanding of the task Meaning consistently clear	Demonstrates a clear understanding of the text type and purpose Sustains rhyme and rhythm throughout	Consistent control of text structure elements Cohesion through repeated phrases	Appropriate use of regular and irregular past tense verbs forms Consistent use of subject-verb-object patterns Consistent subject-verb agreement Appropriate use of common prepositions Few grammatical errors	Wide range of topic specific vocab: action verbs, adjectives	Correct spelling of high frequency words Attempts complex spelling Appropriate use of punctuation	Applies the structure and language of the modelled text and task to own writing Little or no use of teacher support to complete writing Clarifies the task before beginning Uses word attack skills for spelling Uses self, peer and teacher feedback to improve writing Self-corrects on re-reading	
Level 3	Understands most elements of the task Meaning generally clear Illustrations add meaning to the text	Understanding of the text type and purpose but may not conform to the framework given Generally sustains rhyme and rhythm throughout	Varying control of key text structure elements Stanzas may be completed without a framework	Mostly appropriate use of regular and irregular past tense verb forms Some appropriate use of common prepositions	Wider range of topic vocabulary – pterodactyl, dinosaurs	Correct spelling of high frequency words Attempted spelling of challenging words Some basic punctuation – full stops	Uses the structure and language of the modelled text and task in own writing Some use of teacher support to complete writing Clarifies the task before beginning Attempted spelling of challenging words Independent use of dictionaries to check spelling Uses peer and teacher feedback to improve writing Assisted self-correction on re-reading	
Level 2	Seems to understand the task Meaning not always clear Illustrations used to express meaning and add detail Vocabulary chosen relates to a theme – dinosaurs, sea creatures Illustrations relevant to the text	Text shows some understanding of the text type and purpose Includes a title Includes conventional ending Some evidence of using rhyme and rhythm	Writing shows some control of key text structure elements Completes several stanzas on the framework given Provides an appropriate ending	Variable regular and irregular past tense verb forms Some use of common adjectives Errors in use of common prepositions	Relevant topic vocab – fish, swim, birds, fly	Correct letter forms Variable spelling of familiar words Phonetic spelling Variable punctuation Upper case used to signal sentence beginnings	Uses teacher support to complete writing Uses print environment to spell familiar words Assisted spelling of unfamiliar words Accurate copying of words, phrases, sentences Uses personal dictionary to check spelling Uses teacher feedback to improve some aspects of writing	
Level 1	Text shows a basic understanding of the task May retell the original story rather than produce an innovation on the story Illustrations may not be relevant to the text Follows teacher model Meaning often unclear Can read back their own text	Response shows little understanding of the text type and purpose Layout of the text on the page may not follow left right, top of page to bottom of the page placement Brief, simple innovation, using conventional ideas Little or no elaboration Lacks appropriate rhyme and rhythm	May not use the structure of the given framework	Some appropriate present tense verb forms run away, swim/swims Incomplete sentences Frequent grammatical errors	Limited topic vocab Common nouns and verbs	Some correct letter forms Variable use of upper and lower case Some high frequency words spelled correctly Attempted, phonetic spelling of high frequency words Little punctuation Variable letter formation	Uses only basic elements of text model/ framework to plan and guide writing Strong reliance on teacher modelled language patterns and vocabulary Relies on teacher support to complete writing Attempts phonetic spelling for unknown words Looks up words to check spelling Asks teacher for a word in English	