

News Story Article Writing Rubric

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Article Title: _____

Date: _____

| <u>Article Elements</u> | 3 | 2 | 1 |
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| <u>Relevant Information</u> | Article contains all 5 Ws. Facts are complete and correct. Written with descriptive language. | Article tells at least 3 of the 5 Ws. Article uses simplistic writing and vocabulary. | Article does not tell who, what, where, when, why/how. Facts are incomplete or incorrect. |
| <u>Format</u> | Article begins with an exciting lead, followed by purposeful supporting details. Ending is not abrupt. Includes at least 3 images with captions and source citations. | Article contains an opinion and does not contain an interesting lead-in. Includes at least 1-2 images with captions and source citations. | Article is not journalistic. Does not contain a headline or appropriate title/caption and images. Does not include images and/or captions and source citations are absent. |
| <u>Conventions</u> | Writing is descriptive and detailed. Appropriated vocabulary is used to keep readers interested. No grammar or spelling errors exist. | Article is clear and mostly concise. Contains only a few errors. | Article is vague and unclear. Sentence structure, grammar, spelling errors exist throughout the article. |
| <u>Editing</u> | Article is formatted clearly and concisely. Almost no improvement needed. | Article shows only a few needed edits and formatting improvements. | Article was not edited or formatted correctly. |
| <u>Sources</u> | All citations are provided and in the correct APA format. | Some source citations are provide and correctly formatted. | Source citations are missing or incorrectly formatted. |

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