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Paragraph Writing Rubric

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| Topic Sentence |  Topic sentence is missing. | Topic sentence does not relate to the rest of the paragraph. | Topic sentence states the general idea of the paragraph. | Topic sentence states the central idea in an interesting way and grabs the reader’s attention. |
| Supporting details | One sentence or less and it does not relate to the topic. | Two supporting sentences, but do not relate to the topic. | Two supporting sentences that all relate to the topic. | Three or more supporting sentences that relate to the topic. |
| Punctuation | Sentences do not end with punctuation marks. | A few sentences have end punctuation. | Most sentences have the correct punctuation. | All sentences end with the correct punctuation. |
| Capitalization | Sentences do not begin with capitalization. | A few sentences begin with a capital letter. | All sentences begin with a capital letter. | All sentences begin with a capital letter and all proper nouns are capitalized as well. |
| Message | The writing does not make any sense. | The writing makes some sense but still needs improvement. | The message makes sense but is not completely clear.  | The message is clear and concise. |