ELA CO	Compare and contrast elements (e.g., plot, setting, characters, theme) in a variety
ELA.6.9	of genres.
How is the p	lot of this text similar to or different from another book you've read?
Describe the	primary setting of this text. How is the setting of this text similar to or different from
another book	x you've read?
How are the	characters in this book similar to or different from those in other books you have read?
Determine th	ne theme of your book. How is the theme similar or different from another book you
have read be	fore?
ELA.6.11a	Demonstrate understanding of information in grade-appropriate texts using a
	variety of strategies, including sequencing events and steps in a process.
Develop a ti	meline of events in your book.
What are the	five most important or significant events in your book at this point?
ELA.6.11b	Demonstrate understanding of information in grade-appropriate texts using a
	variety of strategies, including summarizing and paraphrasing information.
	he most recent chapter of your book.
Select one pa	assage from your book. Paraphrase it.
	Demonstrate understanding of information in grade-appropriate texts using a
ELA.6.11c	
	supporting details.
	main idea of the (novel, chapter, or passage). Label the main idea as stated
or implied.	
List supporti	ng details in support of the main idea you identified.
	Demonstrate understanding of information in grade-appropriate texts using a
ELA.6.11d	variety of strategies, including comparing and contrasting literary elements and
	ideas.
	e author use literary elements in this (novel, chapter, or story)?
Compare and	d contrast the use of two literary elements.
	Demonstrate understanding of information in grade-appropriate texts using a
ELA.6.11e	variety of strategies, including making simple inferences and drawing
	conclusions.
_	this (novel, chapter, or passage), make a list of inferences you make. Identify
the backgrou	and knowledge you used to form each inference.
ELA.6.14	Analyze an author's stated or implied purpose for writing (e.g., to explain, to
	entertain, to persuade, to inform, to express personal attitudes or beliefs).
	e author's purpose for writing (to explain, to entertain, to persuade, to inform, to
	onal attitudes or beliefs, or a combination of these)? How do you know? Use evidence
from the nov	rel to support your choice.

Unit 3, Activity 3, Words in Context

Book: _____

date	word	sentence(s) from context, page number	definition	restatement	example	contrast	student-developed definition	understanding level + ? —

Unit 3, Activities 4 and 5, Writing Piece with Target Skills Planner

Standards, Benchmarks, Grade-Level Objectives

	onal Decisions to Make before Beginning riting Unit:
Writi	ng Genre:
Writi	ng Mode:
Prewr	iting Technique(s)
Mode	(s) from Literature:
Stude	ent Model(s):
Organ	nization Style:
_	ition Type:
	ic Organizer(s):
Focus	• • •
Suppo	rting Details:
 Begin	ning Technique:
_	g Technique:
	osing Skill(s):
•	ary Device(s):
Revisi	on Focus(es):
Proof	reading for:
Asses	sment with:

Unit 3, Activities 4 and 5, Writing Piece with Target Skills Planner, Example

Standards, Benchmarks, Grade-Level **Objectives**

ELA2-Benchmarks 1-6: Central Idea; Purpose/Audience; Process; Genre Elements; Literary Devices; Response to Texts/Life

ELA2-M3-1 Writing Process: Prewriting

ELA2-M6-1 Responding to Texts

ElA2-M1-9 Comparison/Contrast ElA2-M1-7 Transitions: Comparison/Contrast

ELA2-M3-1 & 2: Graphic Organizers + Drafting ELA2-M1-1: Central Idea; Clear Focus ELA2-M1-6: Unity

ELA2-M1-5: Support & Elaboration; ELA2-; **ELA2-M4-3 Writes with Narrative Elements**

ELA2-M1-2 & 3, Intro, Hook

ELA2-M1-4 Concluding Techniques

ELA2-5-2 Writing Dialogue

ELA2-M5-1 Using Figurative Language

ELA2-5-2 Writing Dialogue ELA2-M5-1 Using Figurative Language

ELA3-M2-4 Punctuation & Capitalization: Quotation Marks & Indenting

ELA3-M1 Legibility; ELA3-M3 Word Choices for Writing & #-ELA-M5 Spelling

Instructional Decisions to Make before Beginning

Writing Unit:

Writing Genre: Expository

Writing Mode: <u>Comparison/Contrast</u>

Prewriting Technique(s) Brainstormina

a List; Venn Diagram

Model(s) from Literature mone

Student Model(s) John Schiffer's "The Two Guys of Chicago"

Organization Style: Point-by-Point

Transition Type: comparison, contrast

Graphic Organizer(s): venn díagram,

then outline

Focus: similarities and differences

Supporting Details: examples from the

text

Beginning Technique: Hook: snippet of dialogue from historical fiction novel

Ending Technique: Line from novel

Composing Skill(s): Using Dialogue with

Speaker Tags & Stage Directions

Literary Device(s): Exploding the

Moment; use of imagery

Revision Focus(es) Adding use of

Dialogue to Reveal Character

Proofreading for: Quotation Marks & Indenting for Dialogue (quoted text)

Assessment with: LEAP/GEE rubric &/or

Expository Writing Rubric

Unit 3, Activity 5, Writing Record

Date(s)	Piece		xtend ne Fra			rter T Frame		Audience
		research	reflection	revision	journal	text response	other	

Unit 3, Activity 6, Secondary Editing/Proofreading Checklist, EXAMPLE Secondary Editing/Proofreading Checklist

Name **Directions:** For each corrected assignment, record title/description and number of errors you made in each area. **ERROR Types** Title Irregular Verbs Possessive Pronoun Form Appropriate Part of Speech to Enhance Writing [preposition, interjection] Homophones Word Endings **Word Omissions** Unnecessary Repetition Spelling Capitalization [Indicate companies, buildings, monuments, geographical names] Comma Use [Compound Sentence; Adjectives; Intro. Phrase/Clause; Items in a Series, etc.] Colon Use (after salutation in business Hyphen/Dash Use [Indicate: to separate syllables of words, compound adjectives.] Italics/Underlining Legibility Review from Previous Grades: Sentence Fragments Run-Ons Varied Sentence Structure **Double Negatives** Subject-Verb Agreement Consistent Verb Tense **Plurals** Pronoun Agreement Capitalization [first, important words, titles, proper nouns, proper adjectives.] End Marks Apostrophe [contractions, possession] Comma Use [Appositives; Adjectives; Intro. Phrase/Clause; Items in a Series, etc Quotation Marks/Dialogue Indentation/Margins Writing Development Focus: Literary Devices [flashback, foreshadowing, imagery]

NOTE: DE = Daily Edit; ¶ = Practice Paragraph

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Proofreading/Editing Strategies for Students



Try these proofreading strategies:

- 1) Read your own paper backward word by word.
- 2) Make <u>an index card with a word-size hole</u> in the center of it and move it over the page one word at a time, checking spelling and capitalization as you do.
- 3) Read the first sentence in your paper carefully. Put your left index finger over the punctuation mark that signals the end of that first sentence. Next, put your right index finger on the punctuation mark that ends the second sentence. Carefully <u>read material between two of your fingers, looking for errors.</u>

Then move your left index finger to the end of the second sentence and move your right index finger to the end of the third sentence and read carefully. <u>Keep moving fingers</u> until you have carefully examined every sentence in your paper.

4) Do any of these strategies *for a peer.*

Unit 3, Activity 8, Group Discussion Record

Our topic:	Group Members:
My role in discussion:	

	Meeting one:	Meeting two:	Meeting three:	Meeting four:
Before this meeting, I have to				
What is my goal this time?				
What is my deadline?				
What information do I have to share with my group this week?				
What questions do I have for my group members?				

U	nit 3, Activity 11, Found Poem Rubric						
N A	AME						
D A	ATE						
Tı	TTLE:						
	FOUND POEM	Rubi	RIC				
1.	CRITERI Your found poem emphasizes your tho		and f	eeling	s about	t this h	istorical
	period.	0	2	4	6	8	10
2.	Your found poem consists of words and	d phr	ases fr	om vo	ur cho	sen te	ext.
	1	0	1	-		4	5
3.	Your found poem shows clear evidence	of cr	ritical	thinki 2	ng abo		period 5
	of history.	U	1	2	3	4	3
4.	Your found poem shows rather than te	e lls .	1	2	3	4	5
5.	Your found poem creates one or more	visua	l imag	es.			
		0	1	2	3	4	5
6.	Your found poem contains carefully ch	osen.	exact	, preci	se, and	d vivid	l word
	choices.	0	1	2	3	4	5
7.	Your found poem uses the poetic device most important images or ideas.	e of r	epetiti	on to	empha	size yo	our
		0	1	2	3	4	5
8.	Your found poem breaks most lines so	each	image	stand	s on it	s own	
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9.	Your found poem has few errors in gra	nma	ır. usa	ge. me	chani	cs. and	ł
- •	legibility.	0	1			4	5
	FINAL SCORE =		_ Poi	NTS O	UT OF	50 P	<u>OINTS</u>

Found poetry is the rearrangement of words or phrases taken randomly from other sources (example: clipped newspaper headlines, bits of advertising copy, handwritten cards pulled from a hat) in a manner that gives the rearranged words a completely new meaning.

Unit 3, Activity 11, Creating a Metaphor

Creating a Metaphor

A metaphor is a comparison of two dissimilar things.

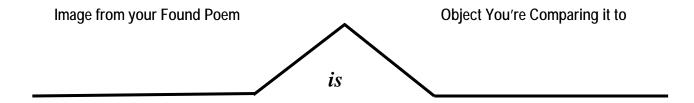
For what image in your Found Poem do you want to create a metaphor? (Name the person or object.)

How would you describe the person or object?

How does it make you feel?

What does it remind you of?

What object, emotion, or experience could you compare it to?



Now insert the sentence above into your Found Poem.

Unit 3; Activities 12, 13, and 14; T-Chart Graphic Organizer

T-Chart

Separating Fac	nart et from Fiction
FACT (Historically Accurate Details)	FICTION (Make-believe Details)

Unit 3, Activity 12, GIST Worksheet

GIST Worksheet

Unit 3, Activity 12, Character Traits List

Character Traits

able courageous fresh absent-minded cowardly friendly active creative frustrated adventurous cross fun-loving affectionate cruel funny afraid curious fussy alert dainty generous ambitious dangerous gentle daring angry giving annoyed dark gloomy decisive anxious good apologetic demanding graceful arrogant dependable grateful depressed greedy attentive awkward determined grouchy bad devoted grumpy blue diligent guilty boastful disagreeable handsome discouraged bold happy bored dishonest hard-working bossy disrespectful harsh doubtful hateful brainy healthy brave dreamer bright dreamy helpful brilliant dull honest busy dutiful hopeful calm hopeless eager carefree humble easygoing careful efficient humorous careless embarrassed ignorant cautious encouraging imaginative changeable impatient energetic charitable ethical impolite charming evil impulsive cheerful excited inconsiderate childish incorruptible expert clever fair independent faithful industrious clumsy coarse fancy innocent committed fearful intelligent inventive compassionate fearless conceited fierce involved concerned fighter **jealous** foolish confident jolly forgetful confused joyful considerate forgiving just fortunate kind contented foul cooperative kindly

Unit 3, Activity 12, Character Traits List

law-abiding quick-tempered quiet lazy leader rational light reasonable light-hearted reckless lively relaxed lonely reliable loud religious reserved lovable loving respectful loyal responsible lucky restless mature rich mean rough rowdy messy mischievous rude miserable sad moral satisfied mysterious scared nagging secretive naughty self-centered self-confident neat selfish nervous sensitive nice noisy sentimental obedient serious sharp-witted obnoxious shiftless old organized short outspoken shrewd patient shy patriotic silly peaceful simple picky skillful pitiful sly plain smart playful sneaky soft-hearted pleasant pleasing sorry polite spoiled poor spunky popular stern positive stingy precise strong pretty strange prim strict proper stubborn proud studious successful quarrelsome quick superstitious

suspicious sweet talented talkative tall thankful thankless thoughtful thoughtless thrilling timid tired tireless tolerant touchy tough trusting trustworthy truthful ugly

understanding unfriendly unhappy unkind unselfish upset useful warm weak wicked wild wise withdrawn witty worried wrong-headed

young zany

Unit 3, Activity 12, Biographical Sketch Rubric

Biographical Sketch Rubric

Namel	Date _]	Pd	
Writing a Biographical S	5ketcl	า				
Title of Piece						
CRITERIA:						
Introduction						_
The beginning presents a historical character's significant background facts	. 0	1			4	5
The beginning makes clear the time and place that the character lived.	0	1	2	3	4	5
Body						
The main events of the character's life are organized in chronological order .	0	1	2	3	4	5
The body makes clear the person's important character traits .	0	1	2	3	4	5
The body uses appropriate examples as support for each character trait.	0	1	2	3	4	5
The point of view remains the same throughout the story.	0	1	2	3	4	5
Word choice and sentence construction are interesting and varied.	0	1	2	3	4	5
Conclusion						
The ending makes clear the important and lasting contributions of this pers	son. 0	2	4	6	8	10
The paper is <i>relatively free of mistakes</i> in spelling, grammar, usage,						
and manuscript form {Use spellcheck; proofread your work!}.	0	1	2	3	4	5
{Possible: 50 points $x = 100 \text{ points}$	OTAL_	 	X	2 = _		
	Fin	al Gro	de			

Details of Setting Planner

Think like a writer of historical fiction. First, do your research!	
istorical Period Researched	

Floment of Setting	Detoil(a)	Source of Information
Element of Setting	Detail(s)	
		Author, Title, Publisher, Place
		of Publication, Copyright Date
Manner of Speech		
Jargon		
angon		
Slang/Vocabulary		
Clothing		
Vehicles/Transportation		
Money		
Tools		
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Customs		
Manners		
Food and Drink		
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Toys/Games		
Homes		
Jobs/Professions		
Education/Schooling		
Laucunon, schooling		
Other:		
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Unit 3, Activity 15, Six Basic Plots of Fiction Six Basic Plots of Fiction

Six basic plots for most of all fiction have been used by all writers and may be used without fear of plagiarism. These may be used alone or in combination and form the basis of nearly all story conflicts for books, plays, movies, television programs, etc.

1. Lost and Found - Person or object is lost and recovered

Ex.: The Incredible Journey or Home Alone

2. <u>Character vs. Nature</u> - Character survives a natural calamity.

Ex.: Jaws or Volcano

3. <u>Character with a personal problem or goal</u> - Character solves problem, reaches goal, or changes attitude or feelings

Ex.: Freckle Juice or Rudy or Rocky

4. **Good Guys vs. Bad Guys** – Good guys usually win.

Ex.: The Three Little Pigs or most westerns

5. <u>Crime and Punishment or Mystery and Solution</u> - Character solves a mystery or crime, and the culprit is caught or punished

Ex.: Law and Order or CSI: Miami

6. **Boy meets Girl** - Problems or misunderstandings arise; characters resolve differences or clear up misunderstandings.

Ex.: Romeo and Juliet or Snow White or Cinderella

Complications of Plot: Building Suspense

The **conflict, goal, problem,** or **what the main character wants** should be set up in the first sentence, paragraph, page, or chapter, depending upon a story's length. If not **stated outright**, it should at least be **hinted at** very strongly. **Writers need to create tension** to keep their readers interested. Writers want their readers to wonder, "What happens next?" Writers do this in several ways:

1. <u>Time pressure</u> - The character has a limited amount of time in which to accomplish a goal or to solve a problem. Ex.: *Rumpelstiltskin*, or *Hansel and Gretel* Other time pressures include:

Forces of nature - tide coming in or impending storm, etc.

Deadline dates - preparations, contest entry deadlines, athletic training for a specific contest, mortgage payment, bomb set to go off, harvest before the rain/frost, onset of winter, etc.

Arrival of holiday - birthday or Christmas gifts to make, etc.

- 2. <u>Setbacks</u> The *most important part of the plot* is the series of setbacks the main character faces in trying to resolve the conflict or in attaining the goal. In well-developed fiction, there are often three or more of them. The **series of setback**s make up the middle of the story. The main character overcomes each successively more difficult setback the last one in a grand way to a satisfactory close. Events or setbacks that might temporarily prevent characters from solving problems are:
 - injuries

losses

• misunderstandings

• weather

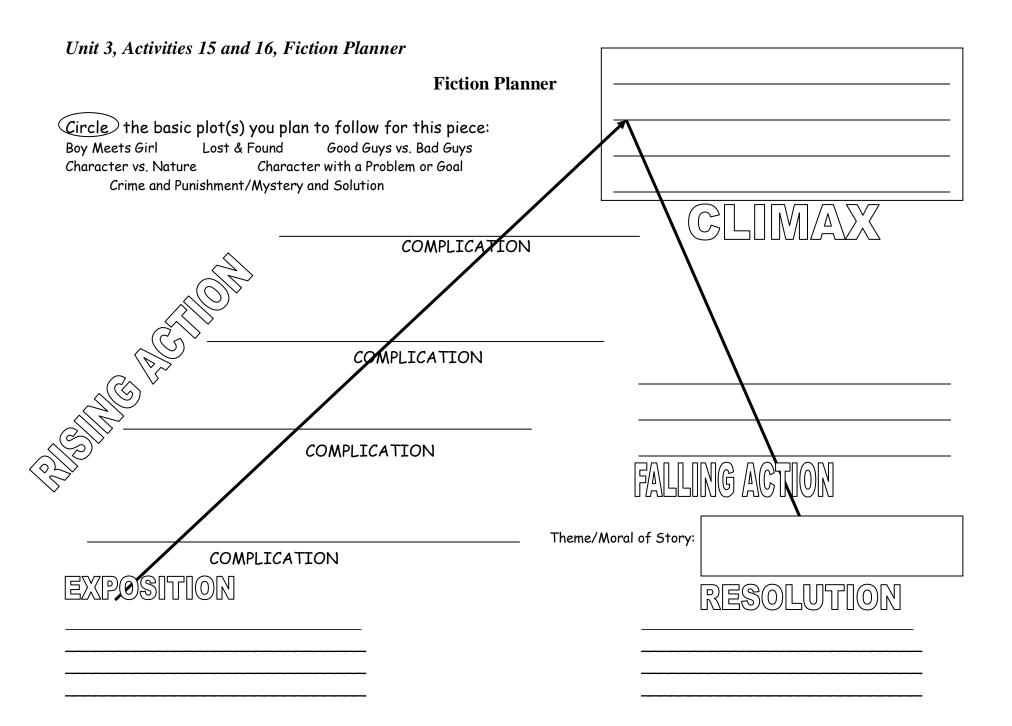
- mistakes
- mishaps or accidents
- 3. **Reader is in on a secret the character doesn't know** Tension rises when the reader learns something through the narration that the character doesn't know. The reader becomes anxious for the character.
 - Ex. The saddle girth is frayed and about to break.

A villain is hiding in the house. A trap has been laid.

4. <u>Anticipation of a Major Scene</u> - Characters set up the tension through their dialogue about the Big Event or through their warnings. They anticipate another character's arrival or action(s).

Story Map

hor/Illustra	tor:	
Main Charac	ter(s)	
7 . 44° (TX 7)	0 1171.	
Setting (When	re & when)	
Main Charac	tow(s) Control Conflict (Duchlam)	
viain Charac	ter(s) Central Conflict (Problem)	
Plot—Compli	ications and Events	
	ications and Events	
Beginning 1	ications and Events	
Beginning 1. 2.	ications and Events	
Beginning 1. 2. 3.	ications and Events	
Beginning 1. 2. 3. Middle	ications and Events	
Beginning 1. 2. 3. Middle 1.	ications and Events	
Beginning 1. 2. 3. Middle 1. 2.	ications and Events	
Beginning 1. 2. 3. Middle 1. 2. 3.	ications and Events	
Beginning 1. 2. 3. Middle 1. 2. 3.	ications and Events	
Beginning 1. 2. 3. Middle 1. 2. 3. End	ications and Events	
Beginning 1. 2. 3. Middle 1. 2. 3.	ications and Events	



Unit 3, Activity 17, Exploding the Moment

Narrative Beginnings Personal Narrative Beginnings Try one of these as a **hook** for your personal narrative!

Begin by showing the time and place of the setting.

A brilliant golden sunrise was seen beyond deserted Lagoon Beach that morning, topped by a thin layer of pale pink fading into a purplish blue horizon.

Begin by using dialogue with stage directions between the characters involved,

"Brett, hurry up, Son!" shouted my mom, as I ran back into the house for my forgotten assignment.

"Aw, Mom, you worry too much," I responded with unconcern, quickly grabbing the forgotten stack of papers from my cluttered desk.

Begin by showing the first action in the series of events.

In an old house in Paris that was covered with vines lived twelve little girls in two straight lines. [Madeleine by Ludwig Bemelmans]

Begin by asking a question.

Have you ever done something you knew in your heart was foolish, but you just couldn't seem to resist?

Begin by showing the background noise(s).

"Scritch, scratch. Scritch, scratch." The noise was coming from behind the refrigerator.

Begin with descriptive details about a main character (could be yourself).

Mr. and Mrs. Dursley, of Number Four Privet Drive, were proud to say that they were perfectly normal, thank you very much. [Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone by J. K Rowling]

• Begin with a quotation of good advice you didn't follow that day.

Andrew had expected London to be large. He had not expected it to be frightening. But as the green fields gave way to seemingly endless rows of small, mean houses, he began to feel uneasy. [The Case of the Baker Street Irregulars by Robert Newman]

Begin with, "It all began . . ."

It all began with a drip . . . drip . . . drip. . . .

• Begin with a hint of the outcome or personal meaning of the event.

I had no idea that a stranger would soon enter my life and change it forever.

Unit 3, Activity 17, Exploding the Moment

Exploding the Moment - from Barry Lane's "After the End"

Exploding the moment is the concept of showing the details of an event rather than just summarizing the events. Students can understand the importance of exploding a moment in words if you read them two versions of the same incident and then ask them which is more powerful. (I promise, they'll know the right answer!) Then have them look for places in their own drafts where they can explode a moment.

"Sisters" by Jan Wilson

Version 1:

I was so mad at my sister that I couldn't stand it. I grabbed the carton of milk from the table and dumped it right over her head. It went all over her and the floor. Her clothes were soaked. She was so shocked that she couldn't talk for a minute. Then she yelled for my dad. I knew I was in trouble now.

Version 2:

I watched myself begin this horrible deed. My hand seemed to suddenly have a will of its own. I picked up the milk carton, the spout was already open. My arm extended over Carol's head, tipping the carton. The liquid poured in a slow, steady, thick, unending stream down through her long, blonde hair, soaking the back of her clothes and dripping onto the floor. As the milk reached the floor, I shifted the spout to begin another long, milky journey down the front of her. It poured over her head, in her eyes, running in rivers down each side of her nose, converging on her chin, and splashing into her lap. Her food was soon awash and the milk poured over the edge and ran into her lap. And still I poured on. It was too late to stop now. The rapture of it all. Oh, sweet revenge!

Carol was shocked into absolute silence, her milk-washed eyes staring at me in total disbelief, almost uncomprehending. What had I done? I only meant to pour a little to scare her, and now it was all over --everywhere. Her chair was a four-legged island in the middle of a white pond in the kitchen floor. How could one quart of milk go so far? For a second or two, she didn't react, and I had a brief but fleeting prayer that she was stunned speechless. However, not for long.

"Daddeeeeeeeeee!"

Unit 3, Activities 16, 17, and 18, Historical Fiction Rubric

Historical Fiction Rubric Name ______ Date _____ Pd. ____ Writing a Historical Fiction Short Story Title of Piece _____ CRITERIA: The essay will be evaluated on the basis of these criteria: INTRODUCTION 1. The introduction uses an effective narrative beginning technique. 5 2. The beginning contains sufficient background information, including a clear setting. 5 5 3. The story quickly sets up the main character's problem or conflict. BODY (STORY AS A WHOLE) 4. The events of the story are arranged in chronological order and use transitions of time and place. 0 1 5 5. There are at least 3 historically accurate details of setting in the story [Ex.: tools, clothing, foods, vehicles, manners, customs, jargon, toys, etc.] 0 5 6. All historically researched details have parenthetical citations within the text and are correctly listed in the Works Cited page which follows. 2 5 7. The story uses dialogue both to advance the plot, as well as to 2 reveal character. 0 5 8. The story uses at least two complicating incidents/events to 2 create dramatic tension. 0 3 5 CONCLUSION 9. The story has a satisfying resolution that logically resolves the conflict. 5 10. The paper is relatively free of mistakes in spelling, grammar, usage, mechanics, and manuscript form (Use spell-check; proofread!) 2 0 1 5 50 possible points \times 2= 100 final points TOTAL EARNED x 2 = Final Score

Unit 3, Activity 18, Editing Checklist

Editing Checklist

Genre: Title:
Peer Reviewer: Date:
On this piece, you:
Indented all paragraphs and indented for change of speakers
Wrote in compete sentences (with no fragments or runons)
Capitalized all sentences and proper nouns and adjectives
Used end marks correctly at the ends of all sentences.
Used periods correctly to end all abbreviations.
Used main verbs that agreed with subjects in both person
and number.
Used verb tenses correctly throughout the piece.
Used helping verbs correctly when needed.
Formed all regular and irregular plurals correctly.
Used articles (a, an, the) correctly.
Used pronouns to refer to their antecedents correctly in number and gender.
Spelled all homonyms correctly
Used good transitions between sentences and paragraphs
Used variety in sentence beginnings
Used word choice that created images