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Story Title \_\_\_\_\_

# Scoring Guide

## Conventions

For each mistake, one point is subtracted from 50 points.

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Conventions include: editing, punctuation, spelling, commas, apostrophes, colons, complete sentences, capitalization, subject and verb agreement, verb tenses, correct word usage, etc.

Rating:

1 2 3 4 5



50

## Word Choice

Word Choice uses specific, accurate, lively verbs, precise nouns, and striking words and phrases. Word Choice will be rated 1–5. Your rating is converted into points according to the chart.

### Ratings Explained:

- 5 every word seems just right, writing not flowery yet colorful, strong verbs, had a “good” way of saying things
- 3 some words misused, general language, not specific, needs juicy details, clichés are common
- 1 vague words, words misused, repeats same words, reader cannot picture the writing

Rating	Points
5	51
4	49
3	43
2	30
1	10

Rating:

1 2 3 4 5



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## Sentence Fluency

Sentence Fluency has easy flow, well built sentences, and varied length and structure. Sentence Fluency will be rated 1–5. Your rating is converted into points according to the chart.

### Ratings Explained:

- 5 the writing sounds natural, it flows, varied sentence beginnings, excess words cut out
- 3 some parts are natural, some awkward, many sentences begin the same way, some unneeded words, few transitions
- 1 most sentences need work, reading needs to reread, choppy, just a string of thoughts, awkward, needs oral editing

Rating	Points
5	26
4	24
3	21
2	12
1	5