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Reasoning	Shows some understanding of the topic Topic is explained / described using two relevant facts / examples	Shows a general understanding of the topic Topic is explained / described using three relevant facts / examples	<ul> <li>Shows thorough understanding of the topic</li> <li>Topic is explained / described using more than three relevant facts / examples</li> </ul>
Communication	Information communicated with some clarity     Uses some variety of vocabulary     Uses some variety of sentences	Information communicated with good clarity     Uses a good variety of vocabulary     Uses a good variety of sentences	<ul> <li>Information is clearly and concisely communicated</li> <li>Uses an excellent variety of vocabulary</li> <li>Uses an excellent variety of sentences</li> </ul>
Organization	•Introduction states topic with some clarity  •Body provides some facts / examples which explain / describe the topic  •Conclusion restates the topic  •Uses satisfactory paragraph structure (topic sentence, supporting detail, concluding sentence)	Introduction clearly states topic Body provides facts / examples which clearly explain / describe the topic Conclusion restates and summarizes the topic Uses appropriate paragraph structure (topic sentence, supporting detail, concluding sentence)	•Introduction clearly states topic and prepares reader for what comes next •Body provides facts / examples which clearly and precisely explain / describe the topic •Uses complex paragraph structure (topic sentence, supporting detail, concluding sentence)
Conventions	Several minor grammar, spelling or punctuation errors and / or omissions     Satisfactory visual presentation	•Only a few grammar, spelling or punctuation errors or omissions. •Good visual presentation	<ul> <li>Practically no grammar, spelling or punctuation errors or omissions</li> <li>Excellent visual presentation</li> </ul>
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