

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Paragraph Rubric-Student Friendly

RTI Program

Topic	2 Points	1 Point	0 Points*
<b>Organization</b>	The beginning is really good-I want to keep reading! The sentences are in order and make sense. The last sentence is very good.	All of the writing is about the topic and it makes sense. The sentences are in a good order.	It doesn't make sense. The sentences are not in a good order.
<b>Content</b>	The writing is about the topic and it has really interesting details. Some of the details help me make a picture in my mind when I'm reading.	The writing is about the topic and it has some details. The details are not <b>really</b> interesting, but they are good.	The writing is <b>NOT</b> about the topic. There are no details. It is hard to understand because some of the sentences don't belong.
<b>Style/Fluency</b>	The sentences are complete and start in different ways. Some are long and some are short. There is some figurative language and the words are perfect.	The sentences are complete and start in different ways. The writer used good words that make sense.	There are fragments and run-on sentences. It is not exciting to read. Most of the sentences start the same way. Some of the words don't make sense.
<b>Language Usage</b>	There are only a couple of mistakes. Capitals and end marks are almost perfect. Spelling is great. The paragraph is indented. It is very neat and easy to read.	There are only a few mistakes. Most of the capitals and end marks are correct. No excuse words are spelled correct. Some words are misspelled, but I can still understand the writing. Good spacing.	It is very hard to read because there are so many mistakes. There are lots of capitals and end marks missing and the spelling is not very good. There is no space between the words.

\*Writing receives 0 points if it is off-topic or unreadable.