

RUBRIC FOR HOLOCAUST SHORT STORY  
(HISTORICAL GENRE)

	5 Exemplary	4 Strong	3 Satisfactory	2 Developing	1 Weak
Ideas/Content	My writing clearly focuses on a main idea, with plenty of interesting details and strong elaboration.	My writing has a main idea with many strong details and some elaboration.	You can tell what my main idea is. My writing contains some interesting details, but it could use more. It might leave some questions in the reader's mind.	A reader might have to work to figure out my main idea because it is missing details or might have some details that don't need to be there.	It's hard to figure out my main idea. Maybe I haven't written enough or maybe too much.
Organization	My writing is organized in a way that is interesting and easy to follow. My lead grabs the attention and conclusion wraps the piece up just right...	My organizational plan works well to keep the writing clear. The lead hooks my reader's attention and the conclusion is good.	This writing is pretty easy to follow from beginning to middle to end. I've tried to write a lead and conclusion.	Some of my details might be out of place. I have a beginning and ending, but I'm not sure they're very effective.	This piece has no beginning or ending – just a middle.
Voice	I think a reader will find this writing lively and interesting. I care about this topic and I think the reader will, too.	My writing has some lively and interesting parts here and there.	The voice in this writing sounds friendly, but pretty much all the same.	This writing sounds a little flat, like dictionary writing.	The voice in this writing doesn't seem right.
Spelling/Grammar (language conventions)	I have checked over my spelling and punctuation and I feel they are excellent. You will have trouble finding any mistakes in my work.	You won't find many errors in this paper, except maybe in hard words. I edited my work to correct my conventions.	This paper may have a few errors, but I checked it over pretty carefully. My message is clear, I think.	I might have quite a few errors in this piece. A reader might have to work at it to read this writing.	There are so many mistakes in this piece that it's pretty hard for a reader to read it.