

**San Lorenzo Valley Unified School District**  
**Grade 1**  
**Scoring Rubric**

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**4**

**The writing**

- addresses all parts of the writing task
- is clearly organized in a logical sequence to convey thoughts related to the topic
- has complete, coherent sentences with at least one complex sentence
- includes appropriate facts and details
- uses adjectives and adverbs
- uses accurate, grade-level appropriate spelling, grammar, capitalization, and punctuation with few, if any, errors. These errors do not interfere with understanding the writing

**Description**

- provides a clear description that uses sensory details to describe a real object, person, place or event

**3**

**The writing**

- addresses the writing task
- is organized in a logical sequence with a beginning, middle, and end
- includes some facts and details
- has complete simple sentences
- has some variety in word choice, with mostly correct spelling of high frequency words
- uses mainly grade-level appropriate grammar, capitalization, and punctuation with some errors. These errors do not interfere with understanding the writing

**Description**

- provides a brief description that uses some sensory details to describe a real object, person, place, or event

**2**

**The writing**

- addresses only parts of the writing task
- may lack a logical sequence and/or include ideas unrelated to the topic
- most words or phrases relate to the topic
- has at least one complete sentence
- has limited word choice relying heavily on logical phonetic spelling
- contains several errors in grammar, capitalization, and/or punctuation that may interfere with understanding the writing

**Description**

- provides a minimal description with few, if any, sensory details to describe a real object, person, place, or event

**1**

**The writing**

- is off topic or fails to address the writing task
- lacks a logical sequence and/or ideas unrelated to the topic
- uses mostly disjointed words relating to the topic, and/or copied words or letters
- may have some sense of beginning and/or ending sounds
- little or no capitalization and/or punctuation

**Description**

- Lacks a description of a real object, person, place or event