

Answering Reading Questions Rubric

Student Name: _____

Overall Level: _____

Category		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
Interpretation	Interpretation	Answers do not reflect accurate comprehension of the story. Opinions are missing or unjustified.	Answers are occasionally correct and demonstrate an incomplete comprehension of the story. Opinions are provided and sometimes justified.	Answers are often correct and demonstrate good comprehension. Opinions are accurate and somewhat justified.	Answers are always correct and demonstrate excellent comprehension. Opinions are always accurate and fully justified.
	Thoroughness	Answers lack the required detail or are incomplete.	Answers contain some details.	Answers are usually complete and include several details.	Answers are always complete, extensive, and include many details.
	Use of information	Answers do not include supporting evidence from the text when necessary.	Answers include occasional supporting evidence from the text when necessary.	Answers often include supporting evidence from the text when necessary. Quotations or paraphrases are sometimes included in answers.	Answers always include supporting evidence from the text when necessary. Quotations or paraphrases are often included in answers.
	Clarity	Answers are difficult to understand.	Answers are sometimes understandable, but need to be more to the point.	Answers are always easy to understand, but need to be more concise.	Answers are very easy to understand. They are clear and concise.
Mechanics	Sentence Structure	Sentences are often incomplete. Run-on sentences are often used. Punctuation and capitals are often used incorrectly.	Sentences are sometimes incomplete. Run-on sentences are used. Punctuation and capitals are occasionally used incorrectly.	Sentences are usually complete. Run-on sentences are rarely used. Punctuation and capitals are occasionally used incorrectly.	Sentences are always complete. Run-on sentences are never used. Punctuation and capitals are always used correctly.
	Spelling	Work contained many spelling mistakes and requires extensive editing to correct errors.	Work contained several spelling mistakes and requires editing to correct errors.	Conventional spelling is usually used. Some editing is necessary to correct errors.	Conventional spelling is always used.
	Grammar	Work contained many grammar mistakes and requires extensive editing to correct errors.	Work contained several grammar mistakes and requires editing to correct errors.	Conventional grammar is usually used. Some editing is necessary to correct errors.	Conventional grammar is always used.
	Neatness	Work is written in ink, but is very difficult to read. It must be rewritten.	Work is written in ink, but is somewhat difficult to read. It could be much neater.	Work is written in ink. It is easy to read.	Work is written in ink. It is very easy to read.