



**School District No. 85 (Vancouver Island North)**  
**QUICK SCALE: PERSONAL WRITING / STUDENT LANGUAGE**  
**GRADE 3**

	<b>Not Yet Within</b>	<b>Minimally Meeting</b>	<b>Fully Meets</b>	<b>Exceeding Expectation</b>
<b>Snapshot</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- My writing is hard to read because of the spelling mistakes.</li> <li>- I need help to organize my ideas.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I have some good ideas, but my writing doesn't flow; it is hard to follow.</li> <li>- I have many errors, and this makes it hard to read.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- My writing is easy to read and makes sense.</li> <li>- All my ideas are about my topic.</li> <li>- My writing flows; it is easy to follow.</li> <li>- I have few errors.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- My writing is very easy to read.</li> <li>- My writing has lots of details.</li> <li>- My writing shows creative thinking.</li> <li>- If someone read my writing they would be impressed.</li> </ul>
<b>Meaning</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- My writing is short.</li> <li>- I have a few details to support my opinion.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- My thoughts need more support; examples, details, and feelings.</li> <li>- I need to add more of my own ideas.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I write about my experiences.</li> <li>- I write about my thoughts and feelings.</li> <li>- I give explanations, details, and/or examples.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I write about my experiences in detail.</li> <li>- I give examples to support my thoughts and feelings.</li> <li>- My writer's voice is easily heard.</li> </ul>
<b>Style</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I need help to think of interesting words and to organize my sentences.</li> <li>- All of my sentences are short, or all very long.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I use the same words a lot.</li> <li>- My sentences are either very short, or very long.</li> <li>- Some sentences may be incomplete.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I use interesting, powerful words.</li> <li>- I write some long sentences and some short sentences.</li> <li>- My sentences make sense.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I use lots of interesting, powerful words.</li> <li>- I use many types of sentences.</li> <li>- My writing flows and makes you want to read more.</li> </ul>



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<p><b>Form</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I forgot to introduce my topic.</li> <li>- I like to use the same words to connect all of my ideas. (e.g., “and then”).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- My writing doesn’t stay on topic.</li> <li>- Some ideas don’t make sense.</li> <li>- I stop writing without an ending.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I have a topic sentence.</li> <li>- I stay on topic.</li> <li>- My ideas flow in order.</li> <li>- I use a variety of linking words.</li> <li>- I have an ending which supports my beginning.</li> <li>- I’m experimenting with paragraphs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I have a beginning, middle and end that the reader can easily recognize.</li> <li>- My ideas flow from one idea to the next.</li> <li>- I experiment with many kinds of linking words.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Conventions</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Many errors make my writing hard to read.</li> <li>- I have forgotten to check my spelling, capitals and periods.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Errors in parts of my writing make my writing hard to read.</li> <li>- I use capitals and periods.</li> <li>- Many words are spelled correctly.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- My writing is easy to read.</li> <li>- My spelling is usually correct.</li> <li>- I use periods and capitals, question marks and exclamation marks.</li> <li>- I am experimenting with commas and quotation marks.</li> <li>- My words fit together (grammar and tenses).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- My writing has very few spelling and punctuation errors.</li> <li>- I take risks in my writing and may make a few mistakes with unfamiliar words and new kinds of punctuation.</li> </ul>