

**New Paltz Central School District
First Grade
Writing**

April Exemplar Papers

Level 4

Exemplar # 1 – 4 (4-4-4-4-4)

- Strong introductory sentence
- Solid transitions
- Excellent command of conventions

Level 3

Exemplar # 2 – 3 (3-3-3-3-3)

- More commentary than personal narrative
- Limited details
- Strong voice
- Meets grade level expectations for conventions

Exemplar # 3 – 3 (3-3-2-3-4)

- Good introductory sentence
- Lacks focus on a “small moment”
- Excellent command of conventions

Exemplar # 4 – 3 (3-3-3-3-2)

- Limited development and details
- Errors in conventions

Exemplar # 5 – 3 (3-3-3-3-2)

- Some use of transitions
- Focused
- Errors in conventions

Exemplar # 6 – 3 (3-3-3-3-2)

- Weak introduction
- Strong description of events
- Errors in conventions

Level 2

Exemplar # 7 – 2 (2-2-2-2-2)

- Lacks focus on a “small moment”
- A list rather than a narrative
- Errors do not interfere with understanding

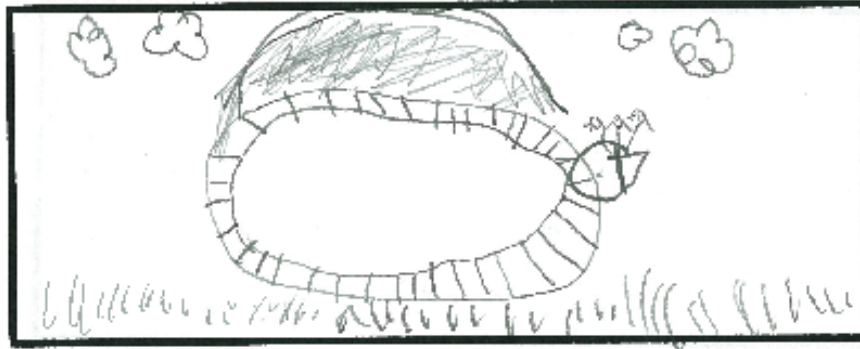
Level 1

Exemplar # 8 – 1 (1-1-1-1-1)

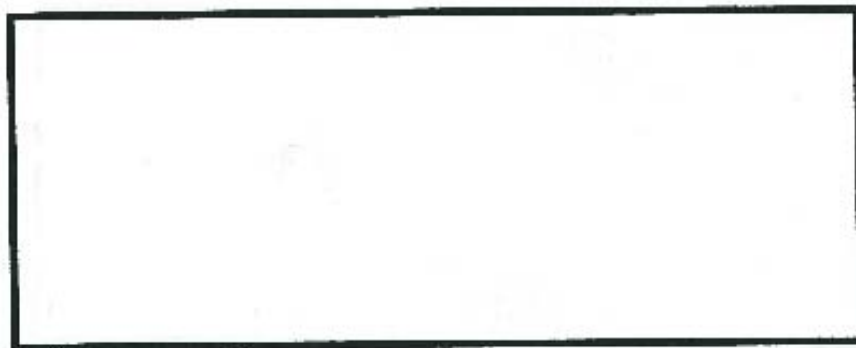
- Does not address task
- Ideas are not connected
- Errors interfere with understanding

Grade 1

Exemplar # 1
Score - 4



Last year I went to a fair. There were lots of fun rides. I went on roller coasters and everything. Until this one ride that my sister and her friend asked me to go on with them. I thought it looked good. But when I went on it I started crying because it went very fast. First it went forward then stopped and went backwards. People were starting to look at me. I was definitely

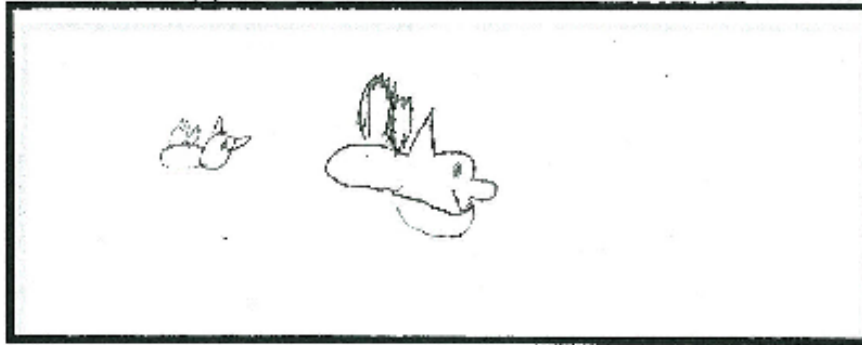


embarrassed. When I got off
my dad was asking me what happened
I told him. ^{we got lemonade} After we got lemon-
ade. We had lots of fun. Then
we went to see the animals. We
even saw a pig race. It was very
sunny there.

Grade 1

Exemplar # 2
Score - 3

Luning about Bats



My Name is Daegan one night I
was watching a movie called Steal
Luna. After a few hours the
movie was over then a bat movie
came on. It was about the life
of fratebats. I liked so much I
became a bat expert. And I want
to learn more about Bats.

Bats are also mammals
and the only mammals
that can fly.
And don't drink Peppai build
and they don't turn into vampires

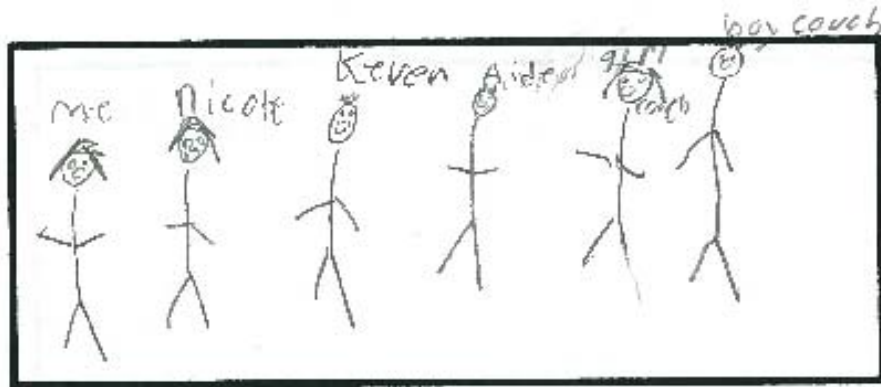
Grade 1

Exemplar #3
Score - 3



I remember the first time I played
soccer this is my story I started
to play soccer was last year in 2007
that's when I was in kindergarten.
I had a girl coach and a boy coach.
They taught me how to do a L. This
is how you do it you go up with
the ball then you go to your right.
They also taught me how to dribble
and kick the ball on your side.

look on
the back



My team mates are my friend Nicole
Aiden, who is on my bus in kindergarten
and right now. The other team mates
are Griffen, Keven and I forget the other
team mates.

That is the end of the story
The End.

Grade 1

Exemplar # 4
Score - 3



When i went to a yrd Shel
and i found a bouse ball
and we cep it and we h
had fon and we Playd
with it and it was 2
b and that was a chep
Pris and we bot it
we Play with it o most
every day and i hav
fon with it and that is i

Grade 1

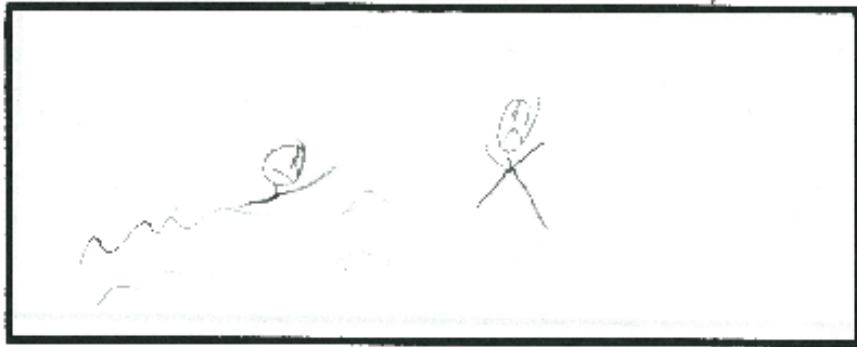
Exemplar #5
Score - 3



I Was got in my
Swimming pool. I was going
to swim. First i did a
hand stand in the water.
then i did a back flip in
the water. Then i did a
canikball in the water
it made my legs and
arms hot. I starte to swim
in the water. I love
Swimming now also.

Grade 1

Exemplar # 6
Score - 3



I WENT to the
beach. Then I went
to the ocean, when
I was in the water
a ti came. I didn't
know what to do. My
parents swam and
pulled me back to the
sand. And my parents said
if a ti comes just swim
to the right.

Grade 1

Exemplar # 7
Score - 2



When I was four I
lost to ride my horse
and my horse's name
was peches and she
was very loveing and
I was at a boren
with my mom there
was flowers there
was sun flowers and
roses then I picke.



flowers the flowers
smell buttdifle then
I picke so meny
flowers I couldnt
counte the I
rowd peches then
I take in beakfast
and had some
wofer the I had
a snack.

Grade 1

Exemplar # 8
Score - 1



My dog is spots
I like H.R. I see
H.R. mom and having
Daru is 9 pet sal
mom.