WSD First Grade Writing Rubric

Fall: "This year we will read about a lot of adventures that the Superkids will take."

Spring: "This year, we read about many adventures of the Superkids."

Continue here both Fall and Spring: "Remember, an adventure is something fun or interesting that you do. Think of something fun that you enjoy doing. It doesn't have to be a big adventure. Maybe it was a fun trip you took or a day you spent with a friend or family member. Maybe you played a good game with someone. Or maybe you made or learned how to do something interesting. Write about what your adventure was, what happened during your adventure, and what made it fun or interesting. Remember to begin sentences and the names of people and places with a capital letter. Use the correct mark at the end of sentences. Spell words as best you can."

Scoring Guidelines: This rubric combines the 3-point scale in Superkids and the 6-point Traits Rubric. The new rubric also merges the Superkids marks of +, ✓, − and the report card language/scoring of Emergent (Minimal/Basic), Proficient, and Advanced. Score papers by reviewing the rubric and recording the numeric traits score (1-6) in the Fall and Spring columns on the right. Please note that because Voice is not specifically addressed in the Superkids curriculum, it is not included on this rubric.

Name	School/Teacher		Dates: Fall Spring		
	Advanced (5-6) Exceeds Expectations (+)	Proficient (3-4) Meets Expectations (✔)	Emergent (1-2) Isn't Meeting Expectations (–)	Fall	Spr
Ideas and Focus (6 Traits Ideas, Word Choice)	Story focuses on a personal event and includes important details, thoughts or feelings	Story focuses on a personal event and includes some details, thoughts or feelings	Story may not stay focused on a personal event; may be lacking details and thoughts or feelings		
Structure and Organization (6 Traits Organization and Sentence Fluency)	Story has a well developed beginning, middle, and end; events are in a logical sequence	Story has a beginning, middle, and end; events are mostly in a logical sequence	Story lacks structure (beginning, middle, and end); events may be out of sequence		

Writing Process	Plans story without prompting Revises and improves story by adding to it in two or more places Edits effectively using the Editing Checklist Completes writing task without prompting	Plans story with some prompting Revises by adding to story in one or two places Edits somewhat effectively using the Editing Checklist Completes writing task with some prompting	Plans story only with significant prompting Does not revise and/or edit Completes writing task with significant prompting, or fails to complete writing task		
Conventions (6 Traits Conventions)	Mechanics: Complete sentences; correct capitalization (beginning of sentences, proper nouns) and punctuation (end marks, some commas) Spelling: Strong recall of Memory Words and use of letter-sound knowledge Grammar/Usage: Few errors; they don't interfere with reader's understanding Handwriting: Good letter formation and spacing	Mechanics: Mostly complete sentences; mostly correct capitalization (beginning of sentences, proper nouns) and punctuation (end marks) Spelling: Good recall of Memory Words and use of letter-sound knowledge Grammar/Usage: Some errors, but they don't interfere with reader's understanding Handwriting: Mostly correct letter formation and spacing	Mechanics: Incomplete or incoherent sentences; inconsistent capitalization and punctuation Spelling: Poor recall of Memory Words and use of letter-sound knowledge Grammar/Usage: Significant errors that interfere with reader's understanding Handwriting: Significant problems with letter formation and spacing		
Total Score:					

Score Key 1=Minimal, 2-3=Basic, 4=Proficient, 5-6=Advanced