

Other Summative Assessments Used

Journal Entry Rubric

Standards Used:

1. Determine the meaning of words and phrases as they are used in the text(1)
2. Compose organized and clear writing designed for a specific purpose(4)

Task: Throughout the reading of "In Cold Blood, " you are to keep a journal of your reactions to the story. You are required to have at least 200 words per journal entry. In the journal entry, I want you to write your reactions to the reading as well as a summary of the events that took place in the assigned reading. For example, you would write a paragraph summarizing the events in the chapter and a paragraph reacting to those events.

Category	1	2	3	4
Length	Entry is less than 100 words	The journal entry is between 100-149 Words	Entry is between 150-199 words	Entry is at least 200 Words
Sentences	Many sentence fragments or run on sentences	Most sentences are complete and well constructed	All sentences are complete and well constructed(n o fragments or run ons)	Sentences and are complete and well constructed
Summary and Ideas (X2 Weighted)	Journal was a collection of unrelated sentences and was difficult to understand what the main purpose of the journal was	Summary and ideas were organized but were not very clear. Teacher required more than one read through to understand	Summary and ideas were expressed in a pretty clear manner but the organization needs improvement	Summary and ideas were expressed in a clear and organized fashion.
Grammar and Spelling	Writer makes more than 6 errors in grammar or spelling	Writer makes 4-6 errors in grammar or spelling	Writer makes 1-3 errors in grammar or spelling	Writer makes no errors in grammar or spelling