

## Informational or Explanatory Text-Based Writing Rubric Grade 6

	Score of 4	Score of 3	Score of 2	Score of 1
Reading/Research 2 ×=	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>makes effective use of available resources</li> <li>effectively uses relevant and sufficient text support from the resources with accuracy</li> <li>effectively integrates credible sources*</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>makes adequate use of available resources</li> <li>uses relevant and sufficient text support from the resources with accuracy</li> <li>uses credible sources*</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>makes limited use of available resources</li> <li>inconsistently uses relevant and sufficient text support from the resources with accuracy</li> <li>inconsistently uses credible sources*</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>makes inadequate use of available resources</li> <li>fails to use relevant and sufficient text support from the resources with accuracy</li> <li>attempts to use credible sources*</li> </ul>
Development 3 × =	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>addresses all aspects of the writing task with a tightly focused and detailed response</li> <li>skillfully develops the topic using facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples that are relevant and sufficient</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>addresses the writing task with a focused response</li> <li>develops the topic using facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples that are relevant and sufficient</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>addresses the writing task with an inconsistent focus</li> <li>inconsistently develops the topic using facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples that are relevant and sufficient</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>attempts to address the writing task but lacks focus</li> <li>develops the topic using facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples that are irrelevant and/or insufficient</li> </ul>
Organization 2 × =	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>effectively introduces the topic</li> <li>effectively organizes complex ideas, concepts, and information and supports the writing task</li> <li>uses effective transitions to clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts</li> <li>provides an effective concluding statement or a section that follows from the information or explanation presented</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>introduces the topic clearly</li> <li>organizes ideas, concepts, and information</li> <li>uses appropriate transitions to clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts</li> <li>provides a concluding statement or section that follows from the information or explanation presented</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>introduces the topic</li> <li>organizes ideas, concepts, and information in a manner that may lack cohesion (ideas may be rambling and/or repetitive)</li> <li>inconsistently uses appropriate transitions to clarify the relationships among ideas and concepts</li> <li>provides a sense of closure</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>identifies the topic</li> <li>has little or no evidence of purposeful organization</li> </ul>
Language/Conventions	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>demonstrates an exemplary command of standard English conventions</li> <li>skillfully employs language and tone appropriate to audience and purpose</li> <li>has sentences that are skillfully constructed with appropriate variety in length and structure</li> <li>provides basic bibliographic information for sources*</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>demonstrates a command of standard English conventions; errors do not interfere with understanding</li> <li>employs language and tone appropriate to audience and purpose</li> <li>has sentences that are generally complete with sufficient variety in length and structure</li> <li>provides basic bibliographic information for sources*</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>demonstrates a limited and/or inconsistent command of standard English conventions; errors may interfere with understanding</li> <li>inconsistently employs language and tone appropriate to audience and purpose</li> <li>has some sentence formation errors and/or a lack of sentence variety</li> <li>attempts to provide basic bibliographic information for sources*</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The writing –</li> <li>demonstrates a weak command of standard English conventions; errors interfere with understanding</li> <li>employs language and tone that are inappropriate to audience and purpose</li> <li>has frequent and severe sentence formation errors and/or a lack of sentence variety</li> <li>fails to provide basic bibliographic information for sources*</li> </ul>

\* If applicable