

	Developing towards Grade Level Expectation	Approaching the Grade Level Expectation	Meeting the Grade Level Expectation	Exceeding the Grade Level Expectation
IDEAS: <i>the central message supported by enriching detail</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> main idea is unclear limited or confusing detail 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> emerging central idea some connection to the topic some appropriate details included leaves some unanswered questions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> main idea is clear directly addresses the topic relevant and appropriate details engages the reader 	Development of ideas is original and innovative, demonstrating maturity and sophistication beyond the grade level expectation.
ORGANIZATION: <i>the internal structure, the thread of central meaning</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> problems with organization make the text difficult to follow 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> has a recognizable introduction has a recognizable conclusion makes an attempt to use transitions paragraphing is effective at times 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> has an effective introduction has an effective conclusion uses effective transitions sequencing is logical paragraphing is consistently effective 	Organization demonstrates a maturity or sophistication beyond the grade level expectation.
VOICE: <i>the unique perspective and style of the writer</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> voice is limited voice suits purpose and audience at times 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> voice is mostly engaging voice mostly suits purpose and audience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> voice is consistently engaging voice is appropriate to purpose and audience voice is sustained throughout the text 	Voice is consistently compelling, original, and moving, demonstrating maturity and sophistication beyond the grade level expectation.
WORD CHOICE, <i>precise and vivid language that moves and engages the reader</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> word choice is limited 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> repetitive use of words and phrases words sometimes used inappropriately words are adequate but basic 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> word choice enhances and clarifies meaning and is consistently: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> precise accurate effective 	Word choice demonstrates maturity and sophistication beyond the grade level expectation.
SENTENCE FLUENCY: <i>the rhythm, flow and sound of language</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> errors in sentence construction impair fluency 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sentences are usually effective and: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> are mostly well constructed include some variety in length, structure, and beginnings are mostly fluent 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> sentences are consistently effective and: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> are well constructed vary in length and structure begin in a variety of ways flow smoothly 	Sentence fluency demonstrates maturity and sophistication beyond the grade level expectation.
CONVENTIONS: <i>the mechanical correctness of the piece</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> errors in conventions distract the reader and make the text difficult to follow 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> conventions are mostly correct, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> grammar/usage spelling punctuation paragraphing/formatting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> conventions are consistently correct, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> grammar/usage spelling punctuation paragraphing/formatting 	Use of conventions demonstrates maturity and sophistication beyond the grade level expectation.

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Core A

The Bermuda Triangle

The Bermuda Triangle is one of the most mysterious waters on Earth. It is also known as the Devil's Triangle. Many ships and planes have disappeared in the triangle under mysterious circumstances. The Bermuda Triangle is located in the western part of the North Atlantic Ocean. The three vertices of the triangle are Miami, Bermuda and San Juan. The total area of the triangle varies from about 1,300,000 to 3,900,000 km². Although the Bermuda Triangle is one of the most dangerous waters, it is one of the most travelled shipping lanes in the world. Many cruise ships pass through the triangle while touring Florida and the islands of the Carribean. Also, both private and commercial flights travel over the triangle to and from Florida, the Carribean and parts of South America. The Bermuda Triangle is well known for some incidents including Flight 19, Uss Cyclops and Star Tiger. Many theories support the reason why the Bermuda Triangle is one of the most mysterious waters on Earth, but I think that weather, human error and compass malfunctions conclude why the triangle is so deadly.

First of all, the Bermuda Triangle is home to some of the craziest weather patterns on Earth. The tropical skies over the Bermuda Triangle are likely to produce severe storms as cold and warm air masses collide over the ocean. The triangle is also right smack in the middle of hurricane valley. The swift moving currents of the Gulfstream can cause difficult territory for both ships and planes, as currents can reach up to five kilometers and hour. The triangle also holds some very strong winds. Weather conditions are unexpected and unstable all year round. A majority of the Atlantic storms pass through the triangle. The Gulfstream can also result rapid and violent weather changes. A lot of mammatus clouds are formed in this area. Mammutus clouds are huge clouds that can be from one to three kilometers long. They are deadly as they are comprised with

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The Bermuda Triangle is still a huge unsolved mystery. Many ships and planes have disappeared leaving unanswered questions. The Bermuda Triangle has caused many crazy speculations such as aliens or the underwater world of Atlantis. I don't think that this mystery will ever be solved because so many people think of different theories that nobody will agree on one. There might never be enough information to support their theories about the triangle. Would you dare to travel in the mysterious Bermuda Triangle? ✓