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WRITING SCORING RUBRIC -

OPINION (GRADES 3-5)

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Task and Focus	The essay demonstrates a strong ability to identify a clear opinion and to focus on the task.	The essay demonstrates an adequate ability to identify a clear opinion and to focus on the task.	The essay demonstrates an inadequate or inconsistent ability to identify a clear opinion and to focus on the task.	The essay demonstrates little to no ability to identify a clear opinion and to focus on the task.
Development of Ideas	The essay demonstrates a strong ability to develop meaningful support for the opinion.	The essay demonstrates an adequate ability to develop meaningful support for the opinion.	The essay demonstrates an inadequate or inconsistent ability to develop meaningful support for the opinion.	The essay demonstrates little to no ability to develop meaningful support for the opinion.
Organization	The essay demonstrates a strong ability to effectively organize an opinion essay.	The essay demonstrates an adequate ability to organize an opinion essay.	The essay demonstrates an inadequate or inconsistent ability to organize an opinion essay.	The essay demonstrates little to no ability to organize an opinion essay.
Language and Style	The essay demonstrates a strong ability to use language and style that are appropriate for the opinion and the subject.	The essay demonstrates an adequate ability to use language and style that are appropriate for the opinion and the subject.	The essay demonstrates an inadequate or inconsistent ability to use language and style that are appropriate for the opinion and the subject.	The essay demonstrates little to no ability to use language and style that are appropriate for the opinion and the subject.
Conventions	The essay demonstrates a strong command of the conventions of standard written English.	The essay demonstrates an adequate command of the conventions of standard written English.	The essay demonstrates an inadequate or inconsistent command of the conventions of standard written English.	The essay demonstrates little to no command of the conventions of standard written English.

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