

Name_____

Title_____

Memoir

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Moments	Story focuses on a meaningful event and includes other moments that lead up to it	There is some focus on an important moment, but lots of unrelated details	Story recalls the order of events without focusing on a specific moment	Story does not describe moments or events
Lead	Catchy lead draws the reader in	Some creativity in lead, but also lots of telling/ background information	Lead just gives background and does not draw readers in	The story doesn't start with a clear lead
Details	Sensory details and thoughts/dialogue included throughout	Details and dialogue are present in most of the story	There are some details and dialogue in the story	The story doesn't have dialogue or sensory details
Closing	Story closes with a moment that clearly brings reader back to the lesson or realization	Story closes by telling, not showing, the lesson or reflection	Story closes without a connection to the lesson	The story seems to end without a closing
Organization	Story is organized with paragraphs that separate events/ moments	Most events are separated in paragraphs	There are some paragraphs, but they don't separate events	There are no paragraphs
Conventions	Correct capitalization, end punctuation and basic spelling are evident throughout	There are some errors, but they don't take away from the reader's understanding	Errors make it difficult for the reader to understand	Errors make the text almost impossible to read

For each section, explain why you think your partner should earn the score you gave.
Give an example sentence that shows it.

	Why?	Example
Moments		
Lead		
Details		
Closing		

What is something your partner did very well? Give a specific example.

What is something your partner should work on?