

<b>Category</b>	<b>Above Standards</b>	<b>Meets Standards</b>	<b>Approaching Standards</b>	<b>Below Standards</b>
<b>Focus on Assigned Topic</b>	The entire diary is related to at least one major stage in subject's life and allows the reader to understand much more about subject.	Most of the diary is related to at least one major stage in subject's life. One entry wanders off at topic, but the reader can still learn something about subject.	Some of the diary is related to stage in subject's life, but a reader does not learn much about any major stage or the subject.	Diary is out of character and does not connect to major stage in subject's life.
<b>Accuracy of Facts and Subject's Voice</b>	All facts presented in the diary are accurate and in subject's voice. (Captures subject's personality.)	Almost all facts presented in the diary are accurate and in subject's voice. (Captures subject's personality.)	Most facts presented in the diary and/or in subject's voice are accurate.	There are several factual errors in the diary and/or not in subject's voice.
<b>Creativity</b>	The diary contains many creative details and/or descriptions that contribute to the reader's enjoyment. The author has really used his/her imagination.	The diary contains a few creative details and/or descriptions that contribute to the reader's enjoyment. The author has used his/her imagination.	The diary contains a few creative details and/or descriptions, but they distract from the story. The author has tried to use his/her imagination.	There is little evidence of creativity in the diary. The author does not seem to have used much imagination.
<b>Neatness</b>	The diary is readable, clean, neat and attractive. It is free of erasures and crossed-out words. It looks like the author took great pride in it.	The diary is readable, neat and attractive. It may have one or two erasures, but they are not distracting. It looks like the author took some pride in it.	The diary is readable and some of the pages are attractive. It looks like parts of it might have been done in a hurry.	The diary is not neat or attractive. It looks like the student just wanted to get it done and didn't care what it looked like.
<b>Grammar and Spelling</b>	Writer makes no errors in grammar or spelling that distract the reader from the content.	Writer makes 1-2 errors in grammar or spelling that distract the reader from the content.	Writer makes 3-4 errors in grammar or spelling that distract the reader from the content.	Writer makes more than 4 errors in grammar or spelling that distract the reader from the content.
<b>Number of Dated Entries</b>	Has at least 10 dated entries.	Has at least 9 dated entries, and may be missing date on one.	Has at least 8 entries, but some may not be dated.	Has less than 7 entries, and/or none may be dated.
<b>Original Book Design</b>	Made a well-structured and original diary.	Made a nice and original diary.	Made a foldable diary, but not decorated or unique.	Made a messy or used unoriginal diary.