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**Fourth Grade**

**Informative/Explanatory Writing Rubric**

W.4.2 I can write informative/explanatory texts to examine a topic and convey ideas and information clearly.

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|  | **Got it-Wow! (3)** | **Almost There (2)** | **Beginning (1)** | **Comments** |
| **Topic**  **W.4.2.a**  Introduce a topic clearly and group related information in paragraphs and sections, including formatting (e.g., headings), illustrations, and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. | I have introduced my topic clearly and grouped related information in paragraphs and sections; including formatting, illustrations, and multimedia when useful to aiding comprehension. | I have introduced my topic with **some** grouping in paragraphs or sections; including **some** formatting, illustrations, or multimedia. | I have introduced my topic **without clearly** grouping information. |  |
| **Topic Development**  **W.4.2.b**  Develop the topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples related to the topic. | I have developed my topic with facts, definitions, concrete details, quotations, or other information and examples related to the topic. | I have developed my topic with only a **few** details related to the topic. | I have developed a topic **without clear** details related to the topic |  |
| **Linking Ideas**  **W.4.2.c**  Link ideas within categories of information using words and phrases (e.g., another, for example, also, because). | I have linked ideas within categories of information using words and phrases. | I have linked **some** ideas within categories of information. | I have not provided **clear** categories of information. |  |
| **Vocabulary**  **W.4.2.d**  Use precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic. | I have used precise language and domain-specific vocabulary to inform about or explain the topic. | I have used precise language and domain-specific vocabulary **without clearly** informing about or explaining the topic. | I have included **some** precise language and domain-specific vocabulary. |  |
| **Conclusion**  **W.4.2.e**  Provide a concluding statement or section related to the information or explanation presented. | I have provided a concluding statement or section related to the information or explanation presented. | I have provided a concluding statement or section **not clearly** related to the topic. | I have provided an **incomplete** conclusion. |  |

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