Remember...

Focus – one main idea carried all the way through your story.

Organization – sequenced, in order, paragraphs help

Support and Elaboration – details that are relevant and sufficient, make sense, are logical, use transition, and show how time moves in the story.

Style – word choice, precise words, variety of sentences, sense of audience, personal voice

Conventions – spelling of common words, punctuation, capitalization, grammar, complete sentences.



Conference Sheet for Personal or Imaginative Narrative Writing

| Name of Author: | |
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| Name of Editor: Date | |
| | FOCUS |
| | The story is narrative. |
| | There is a main event in the story. |
| | The story stays focused on the main event. |
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| | ORGANIZATION |
| | The story has a clear beginning, middle, and end. |
| | Ideas and actions are connected to one another. |
| | The reader can follow the story logically from beginning to end. |
| | The story feels complete. It feels finished. |
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| | SUPPORT AND ELABORATION |
| | The specific details are related to the main event. |
| | The details tell when ; they move the story along through time . |
| | The details tell where things are happening in the story. |
| | The story has enough elaboration so that your readers can see and feel what is |
| | happening. They can act it out in their minds with NO major lapses. |
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| | STYLE |
| | Carefully chose just the right words for your purpose. |
| | Used precise words instead of over-used words. |
| | Used a variety of sentence lengths. |
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| | CONVENTIONS |
| | Handwriting is readable easily. |
| | Common words are spelled correctly. Story is easy to read because all the spelling is |
| | readable. |
| | Capital letters at the beginning of every sentence and used for proper nouns. |
| | Punctuation used to help the reader read the story easily. |
| | Sentences are complete. |
| | Paragraphs are used appropriately. |
| | Words are used correctly. |
| | Pronouns used correctly. |
| | Subjects and verbs agree. |
| | Verb tense is consistent. |

Comments/Suggestions for next time: