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Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics:
Junior Division

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Rubrics and Sample Student Responses
with Annotations**

Scoring Guide for Writing Prompt Long Writing (Adventure Story) Question 23

Generic Writing Rubric – Topic Development

Code	Descriptor
B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blank: nothing written or drawn in the space provided
I	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Illegible: cannot be read; completely crossed out / erased; not written in English</i> OR • <i>Irrelevant content: does not attempt assigned prompt (e.g., comment on the task, drawings, “?”, “!”, “I don’t know”)</i> OR • <i>Off topic: no relationship of written work to assigned prompt</i> OR • Errors in conventions prevent communication
10	Response is not developed; ideas and information are limited and unclear. Organization is random with no links between ideas. Response has a limited relationship to the assigned task.
20	Response is minimally developed with few ideas and little information. Organization is minimal with weak links between ideas. Response is partly related to the assigned task.
30	Response has a clear focus, adequately developed with ideas and supporting details. Organization is simple or mechanical with adequate links between ideas. Response is clearly related to the assigned task.
40	Response has a clear focus, well-developed with sufficient specific and relevant ideas and supporting details. Organization is logical and coherent with effective links between ideas. Response has a thorough relationship to the assigned task.

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Write your story here.

Friends walk

My friends and I walked down

a road it looked cool we saw

really wierd trees? but we

went on till we had a beatifal site

of the town the lights were glowing.

We went on and saw a bunny it

was scared and hopped away.

We had fun walking at that was
enough aventuring for one day.



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So we all walked back home
talked to my friends on msn and
said how fun it was mabe tomorrow
me and you can go (friend on msn) mabe
but I logged of 5 mins later
read a book and fell asleep.

Annotation:

Response is not developed; ideas are limited and unclear (e.g., ...*My friends and I walked down a road and it looked cool.....we went on an saw a bunny....*). Organization is random with no links between ideas (e.g.,...*we saw really weird trees? But we went on till....So we all walked back home talked to my friends on msn...*).

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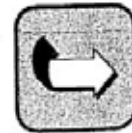
Write your story here.

Today, Me, Tori, Ashley, Maddy and Sarah went for a walk. we are going to the park. While they were there they found a lot of cool stuff. Tori found a monkey bracelet, Ashley found a turtle necklace, Maddy found an elephant bracelet, Sarah found an elephant necklace and I found a monkey necklace.

After that they had a picnic at the picnic there was watermelon, straw lemonade, peanut butter sandwiches and ice cream from the ice cream truck!

When they were done that we decided to play on the jungle gym. After the jungle gym we played soccer it was fun.

Then we went into the forest we climbed trees. While they were in the forest they played hide and go seek.



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30 minutes later they went
to go get Emily.... knock knock Emily
came to the door Tori said... Hey Emily
do you want to come outside and
hang out with us? Ok but I have
to take Lilly for a walk first. So
all the girls took Lilly for a walk.
Then they decided to go for a
bike ride. So they all went home to
get their bikes and they meet at the
park.

It was one fun day

The end

THE END

Annotation:

Response is minimally developed with few ideas (e.g., lists ideas: *they found a lot of cool stuff...they had a picnic...we decided to play in the jungle jim...*). Organization is minimal with weak links between ideas (e.g., *...Tori found...Ashley found...Maddy found...Sarah found...I found...After that...After the jungle...Then we went...they went...Then they decided...*).

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Write your story here.

One day me and my friends went on a walk. We did many things and saw many things. First we were just going to go on a 5min walk, well that was until we realized we were lost. We knew that the trail ended around my house so we just kept going forward.

After a little while Amber said "I'm so hot!" We all agreed with her. I saw a lake. We didn't know if it was safe or not. But we were all wearing our bathing suits because after the walk we were going to a birthday party, so we decided to cool off, and go swimming. It was very refreshing.

We saw a duck swimming in the lake when we came out. As soon as we saw the duck it seemed like there were animals everywhere. There were animals like raccoons sleeping, squirrels running up and down trees, and a puppy. The puppy confused me a bit. He was a tan puppy with some black back. He didn't have a collar and he was very friendly.



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so I was going to bring him with me.
Around 5mins after, we found him a
guy on his bike went riding past us. Me and
my friends were talking about what to name
the puppy. I came up with the name Jake,
Amber came up with Smurf. and Diana came
up with Snooze. Nobody else could think of a name. When
we finally decided his name should be Jake. The
bike rider came back. This time he stopped and said,
"Hey, where on earth did you find that dog? I've been
looking for Max every where. He is my daughters
birthday present." We were all shocked. I gave
him the puppy.

Right after this Nastasia wanted to
see how close we were to the end of the trail.
So we all climbed trees. Izabell was the only
one who could see anything. It turns out we were
really close. So we ran to my house and we made it to the port.

Annotation:

Response has a clear focus, adequately developed with ideas and supporting details (e.g., So we decided to cool off and go swimming. It was very refreshing...). Organization is simple or mechanical (e.g., One day... After a little while... Right after...). Response is clearly related to the assigned task.

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Write your story here.

one day, my friends, Sylvia, Lyndon, Courtney, and I went for a walk in the park. Since we all went to different schools, we talked about classmates and teachers. We walked and talked for about half an hour and then, we heard the bushes shaking and something that sounded like a foot stomping. Lyndon wanted to investigate the bushes though Sylvia, Courtney and I stayed behind.

All of the sudden, we heard a gasp followed by a shriek. We ran into the bushes and nearly crashed into a tiny white rabbit. For some reason, the rabbit did not ^{or hop away} ~~move~~ ^{from us}. Then, Lyndon indicated a rope that was tangled around the rabbit's leg. Luckily, I always brought a first aid kit with me and it had scissors. I took the scissors out and cut the rope. Also, Courtney brought a pack of carrots as a snack and she gave one to the rabbit.

It was then that Courtney noticed we were lost in a forest.

We ran along every path but could not find a way out. When we were about to give up, ^{when} Sylvia remembered that she had a cellular phone.



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Sylvia tried turning it on several times when I noticed it said "Low Battery"

After, we found a log and we rested on it. Then, I noticed a teenie grey blob about 100 meters away. I called for the others and we all ran to the strange object and we noticed it was not so small after all, it was a mountain!

We started to climb the mountain to see a way back to civilization. We kept sliding off the mountain side since there were no foot holes. Then, we all got blisters so we gave up.

A while later, we saw a red ribbon tied around a tree. ^{were out of thoughts of why it was there.} After we heard someone yell "Dinner Time!" We ran towards the sound and found Sylvia's mom right next to her house.

While we were eating dinner at Sylvia's house, she remembers that the forest formed an arch that led to her house. She tied the ribbon around the tree to remember ^{that} but she forgot anyway. We were all just so glad to be out of the forest so we ^{blanche} didn't. Now, we always go into the forest from the park and come out to find Sylvia's house on the other side.

Annotation:

Response has a clear focus, well-developed with sufficient specific and relevant ideas (e.g., *Since we all went to different schools.... we heard a gasp followed by a shriek... Luckily, I always brought a first aid with me*). Organization is logical and coherent with effective links between ideas (e.g., *All of a sudden... For some reason... reason... Then.... Luckily.... Also.... It was then...*). Response has a thorough relationship to the assigned task.

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Generic Writing Rubric – Use of Conventions

Code	Descriptor
B	Blank: nothing written or drawn in the space provided
I	Illegible: cannot be read; completely crossed out / erased; not written in English OR Errors in conventions prevent communication
10	Errors in conventions interfere with communication OR Insufficient evidence to assess the use of conventions
20	Errors in conventions do not interfere with communication
30	Conventions are used appropriately to communicate

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Write your story here.

It was A fine Summer day when
me and my friend went for a nice
long walk and we brought snacks
in case we got hungry and when
we were walking on this really bumpy
road there was this tree that was
blocking the road so we had to
go around it but wait said my
one friend we can't because there
are rivers on both sides of the
road so we had to go over the
tree so when we all got over on
the other side of the tree I
spotted out a beaver dam on
the right side of the road
and then we stopped and looked
at it for a little bit and then
my friend said want to have



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A little bit of a snake now and
we all said OK. When we were done
done snakes we were off for
a little bit more of a walk now
I said and they said what happened
and they turned back and I was
on the ground I said I tripped
over a rock and now I got
a rock in my knee and my
knee is really bleeding so we
started walking back and I said
there are clouds rolling in we
better get home and how am I going
to get over the tree and my
friend said we will help you
so when we got back to the house
I dead up my skin on my knee
and then had lunch the Eadi

Annotation:

Response has errors in conventions (e.g., incorrect spelling of familiar words: *in kase*, *sids*, *dame*...; use of capitals...*It was A fine summer day*...; omission of punctuation) that interfere with communication.

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Write your story here.

One day my friend and I went to a park for a long walk. We played tennis, soccer and basketball. In tennis it was a tie but in soccer, I won the game and in basketball she won. Anyway while we were playing, we saw a girl sitting all alone, so we invited her to play with us. Late on we found a cute little dog and we started to play with him, but few minutes later the dog's owner arrived. Any way it was lunch time and we all came back to my house. And we ate pizza for lunch. It was delicious. An hour later we ate chocolate ice cream. While we were eating our ice cream we all watched tv for one hour. Anyway going to the park was the best. we had lot of fun and + we wrote a report on what



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we did on weekend.

The End

Annotation:

Response has errors in conventions (e.g., incorrect spelling of familiar words: *mintue*, *choclote*, *worte*; misuse of capitals: ...*tennis It...but In...*; errors in verb tenses) that do not interfere with communication.

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"We are finally out!" Jenna exclaimed. If you want to know what happened, keep reading this story.

One lovely day I went on a walk with my friends. We were having a awesome time. We talked continuously and saw interesting plants. But when we decided to go home, we couldn't find a way. I was. Luckily Ty had a map to guide our way. Me, Ty, Sam and Jenna quickly noticed that we were totally lost, since this place wasn't on the map. So they decided carefully to try walking the opposite way and see if they can find a way out. Bad choice. They were walking in circles. So we have ended up in the exact same spot they started. Suddenly they saw a huge shadow. "A Bear," Sam whispered. So they ran away quietly away from the dangerous bear. Everyone was frightened terribly. They decided to look for a open space to make a fire, carefully. Few hours later, they finally reached a cleared spot, just enough space for all of us and the blazing fire. Me and my tired friends were all extremely



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thirsty and hungry. I had a nutritious slices of apple in my bag. I immediately shared my juicy apple with my loyal friends.

Surprisingly they saw a speedy helicopter and me and my friends yelled out "Help. S.O.S.". Jenna took out her round mirror and shined brightly towards the flying helicopter.

The black helicopter came lower and lower and at last, it had landed.

All of my friends sound more relieved to be finally out of this place. The driver told them to come in his helicopter and they were off.

Now you catch up on the amazing story. We have to take another walk. To where? Our home.

Annotation:

Response uses conventions appropriately to communicate (e.g., conjunctions, subject pronouns, subordinate clauses, verb tenses). Some errors exist (e.g., *Luckly*, *oppiste*; omission of comma after introductory words or phrases).