| GRADE 10 | 4 – Mastery | 3 – Proficient | 2 – Approaching | 1 – Beginning |
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| Outcomes (Indicators) | | | | |
| Context CC A/B10.1 Compose and create a range of written texts that explore identity, social responsibility and social action. | Creates insightful, original and thought-provoking written texts that explore identity, social responsibility, and social action. These texts will include: • an insightful thesis and logical points to support messages and arguments • thoughtful and appropriate details to support thesis • a compelling style and voice appropriate to audience and purpose • coherence, logical progression, and insightful support for ideas • clear and strategic patterns of organization • logical, convincing, and insightful conclusions | Creates clear, original, and well-developed written texts that explore identity, social responsibility and social action. These texts include: • a clear thesis and logical points to support messages and arguments • appropriate details to support thesis • a style and voice appropriate to audience and purpose • coherence, logical progression, and support for ideas • clear patterns of organization • convincing and justifiable conclusions | Creates adequate, predictable written texts that explore identity, social responsibility and social action. These texts will include: • a general thesis and points to support messages and arguments • adequate details to support thesis • a style and voice connected to audience and purpose • basic coherence, progression, and support for ideas • inconsistent patterns of organization • general conclusions | Creates limited and/or unfocused written texts that explore identity, social responsibility and social action. These texts will include: • a vague thesis and limited points to support messages and arguments • limited details related to thesis • style and voice inconsistent or inappropriate for audience and purpose • limited coherence, and unclear ideas • limited organization • vague conclusions |
| Message Content and Ideas CC A10.4 Compose and create a variety of written literary (including a historical persona essay and a review) and informational (including an observation [eye-witness] report and researched or technical report) texts attending to various elements of discourse (e.g., purpose, speaker, audience, form). | | | | |
| (d) Retell a narrative or recount an experience or event (e.g., a memory, an essay of experience) | Narrative of an experience or event: strategically introduces the action and draws in the reader. skillfully identifies and develops the story's main character and establishes the setting. skillfully uses engaging dialogue to establish characters and create the drama. provides an effective and thorough ending that logically "winds up" the events. skillfully introduces, develops and resolves a conflict, quest or question. | Narrative of an experience or event: clearly introduces the action and draws in the reader. effectively identifies and develops the story's main character and establishes the setting. uses dialogue appropriately to establish characters and create the drama. provides an effective ending that logically "winds up" the events. effectively introduces, develops and resolves a conflict, quest or question. | Narrative of an experience or event: partially introduces the action. inconsistently identifies and develops the story's main character and setting. uses basic dialogue. provides a basic ending generally connected to the events. includes a basic conflict, quest or question. | Narrative of an experience or event: ineffective introduction undeveloped or vague main character and setting. minimal use of dialogue. vague or unrelated ending. undeveloped conflict, quest or question. |
| (e) Write an observation report/eyewitness account (e.g. an incident report, an event report) | Observation report/eyewitness account: skilfully tells when and where the event happened. accounts the details of an event in a strategic and logical order. thoughtfully uses descriptive sensory details that show the reader what happened. skillfully uses order of location (top to bottom, front to back, left to right, head to toe) or time order (first, next, then, and so on) to organize details. uses specific and vivid verbs strategically answers 5W and H questions. includes insightful thoughts and comments that bring experience to life uses a compelling voice that illustrates interest and knowledge. | Observation report/eyewitness account: • clearly tells when and where the event happened. • accounts the details of an event in a logical order. • uses descriptive sensory details that show the reader what happened. • clear use of order of location (top to bottom, front to back, left to right, head to toe) or time order (first, next, then, and so on) to organize details. • uses specific verbs • clearly answers 5W and H questions. • includes thoughts and comments that bring experience to life • uses an engaging voice that sounds interested and knowledgeable. | Observation report/eyewitness account: • generally tells when and where the event happened. • accounts the details of an event in a basic order. • adequately uses descriptive sensory details that show the reader what happened. • predictable use of order of location (top to bottom, front to back, left to right, head to toe) or time order (first, next, then, and so on) to organize details. • uses basic verbs • adequately answers 5W and H questions. • includes predictable thoughts and comments. • uses a predictable voice that sounds generally interested and knowledgeable. | Observation report/eyewitness account: • vaguely tells when and where the event happened. • accounts the details of an event in a illogical order. • limited use of descriptive sensory details that show the reader what happened. • unfocused use of order of location (top to bottom, front to back, left to right, head to toe) or time order (first, next, then, and so on) to organize details. • uses vague verbs • partially answers 5W and H questions. • includes vague thoughts and comments that rarely bring experience to life. • uses a disengaged voice. |

(f) Write an inquiry report (e.g., research report, an I-Search, a Inquiry report: Inquiry report: Inquiry report: Inquiry report: technical report. presents an insightful introduction relevant to • presents an **interesting** introduction relevant to presents a basic introduction to inquiry presents a limited introduction to inquiry inquiry questions. inquiry questions. questions. • puts central ideas into a well-defined focus or • puts central ideas into a general focus or thesis puts ideas into a vague focus or thesis puts central ideas into a focus or thesis thesis statement relevant to inquiry questions. statement relevant to inquiry questions. statement that adequately addresses inquiry statement. • Strategically includes information related to • includes information related to focus or thesis, is rarely includes information related to focus or focus or thesis, is current, and drawn from current, and drawn from reliable, relevant • inconsistently includes information related to thesis, is current, and drawn from reliable, **reliable**, **relevant** sources that are cited. sources that are cited. focus or thesis, is current, and drawn from relevant sources that are cited. • includes a body that **strategically** develops the • includes a body that **logically** develops the reliable, relevant sources that are cited. • includes a body that **illogically** develops I the details of the subject. details of the subject. includes a body that adequately develops the details of the subject. Skillfully provides a compelling conclusion and provides a clear conclusion with a final details of the subject. Provides a vague conclusion with a final final statement that fully address inquiry statement that answers inquiry questions. provides a basic conclusion with a final statement that vaguely addresses inquiry statement that generally addresses inquiry questions. questions. questions. g) Write a historical persona essay (e.g., biographical narrative, Historical persona essay: Historical persona essay: response to a historical photo) • includes a historic person. • includes a historic person. Historical persona essay: Historical persona essay: • strategically defines important moments in the • clearly defines important moments in the • includes a historic person. • includes a historic person. historic person's life so essay is insightful. historic person's life so essay is well-focused. • includes **basic** information from the historic • inaccurate or inadequate information of the demonstrates perceptive understanding of the shows clear understanding of the person, the person's life. historic person's life. person, the events, and gathered details about events, and gathered details about the place and shows basic understanding of the person, the • shows **limited or inaccurate** understanding of the place and time. events, and the place and time. the person, the events, and place and time. time. • includes **insightful** reflections and observations • includes reflections and observations about • includes **basic** observations about person's life includes vague or unrelated observations about about person's life and experiences. person's life and experiences. and experiences. person's life and experiences. • lists **probable** contemporaries of the historic creates, insightful, accurate and comprehensive • creates **accurate** depictions of the probable creates basic depictions of the probable depictions of the probable contemporaries of the contemporaries of the historic person. contemporaries of the historic person. person. historic person. • uses appropriate dialogue to bring characters to uses basic dialogue. minimal use of dialogue. • limited organization. • **skillfully** uses dialogue to bring characters to life. • inconsistent organization. • employs a skillfull organization. employs an easy-to-follow organization. (h) Write a review (e.g., evaluating a literary work) Review: Review: Review: • includes thoughtful explanations and specific includes adequate explanations and references • includes well-developed, insightful explanations references to the text itself. • includes **limited** explanations and vague to the text itself. and **comprehensive** references to the text itself. • clearly expresses opinions about the value or references to the text itself. adequately expresses opinions about the value thoughtfully expresses opinions about the value worth of the subject in order to help audience expresses **vague** opinions about the value or or worth of the subject in order to help audience or worth of the subject in order to help audience worth of the subject in order to help audience decide. decide. clearly explores strengths and weaknesses of adequately explores strengths and weaknesses • skillfully explores strengths and weaknesses of work and includes passages from text as partially explores strengths and weaknesses of of work and includes passages from text as work and includes significant passages from text work and includes limited passages from text as examples. examples. as examples. • justifies opinion. examples. generally justifies opinion. thoughtfully justifies opinion. clearly addresses what makes the text partially justifies opinion. adequately addresses what makes the text • insightfully addresses what makes the text interesting, exciting, engaging, believable, partially addresses what makes the text interesting, exciting, engaging, believable, interesting, exciting, engaging, believable, unforgettable, and significant. interesting, exciting, engaging, believable, unforgettable, and significant. unforgettable, and significant. recognizes theme of the text and the relevance unforgettable, and significant. adequately recognizes theme of the text and • skillfully recognizes theme of the text and the of literary techniques. partially recognizes theme of the text and the the relevance of literary techniques. relevance of literary techniques. relevance of literary techniques. CC B10.4 Create a variety of written informational (including a business letter, biographical profile, problem-solution essay) and literary (including fictionalized journal entries and a short script) communications. (d) Write an explanation and defence of personal point of view Explanation and defence: Explanation and defence: Explanation and defence: • explains with appropriate details writer's beliefs Explanation and defence: • explains with **general** details writer's beliefs • explains with **precise** and **expansive** details • explains with **insufficient** details writer's beliefs about an important subject about an important subject writer's beliefs about an important subject clearly identifies focus of essay in opening about a subject generally identifies focus of essay in opening skillfully identifies focus in opening paragraph • partially identifies focus of essay in opening paragraph paragraph • organizes ideas in a skillfull, original sequence • organizes ideas in a logical and appropriate paragraph organizes ideas in a sequence • includes **effective** transitions • organizes ideas in an illogical and inappropriate sequence • includes **some** transitions • provides complex and convincing conclusions. • includes **smooth** transitions sequence provides basic conclusions

• provides logical and convincing conclusions.

• includes **ineffective** transitions

| (e) Write a biographical profile | | | | | |
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(e) Write a biographical profile

Biographical profile:

- includes **comprehensive** ideas learned about the person
- begins by sharing important, signficiant background information
- thoughtfully describes the subject and explains what he or she accomplished
- **creative** ending leaves the readers with something to think about and consider.

Problem-solution essay:

- focuses on a **significant** problem that is important to self
- identifies the problem in an **insightful** statement
- comprehensively analyzes all aspects of the problem, explaining its parts, history, and causes
- critically weighs a wide variety of possible solutions
- skilfully explains why situation exists and how it can be fixed
- includes **compelling** facts and reasons
- ends with a **skillful** explanation of what the writer would like to see done.

Business letter:

- accurately uses a consistent style (semi-block or full block)
- presents information strategically and in the correct order
- includes all the parts of a business letter heading, inside address, salutation, body, complimentary closing, and signature
- **skillfully** states purpose
- provides comprehensive and compelling details
- **skillfully** states intent

Fictionalized journal entry:

- insightful focus on a character
- insightful focus on an ongoing event or experience
- contain insightful impressions, reflections, and observations about life, people, and experiences
- **skillfully** provides insight into the personality and values of the character.

Short Script:

- **comprehensive** stage directions: time, place, characters and actions, entrances, and exits.
- gives comprehensive details of setting that lead into the beginning of the script
- employs sophisticated dialogue that moves the action along
- **skillfully** builds around a **creative** conflict or problem
- **skillfully** includes (if multimedia) graphics, music, Blend In, Cut To, Fade In, Fade Out, Insert, and other elements.

Biographical profile:

- includes key ideas learned about the person
- begins by **clearly** sharing important background information
- clearly describes the subject and explains what he or she accomplished
- ends by leaving the readers with something to think about and consider.

Problem-solution essay:

- focuses on a problem that is **important** to self
- identifies the problem in a **clear** statement
- thoroughly analyzes the problem, explaining its parts, history, and causes
- accurately weighs possible solutions
- clearly explains why situation exists and how it can be fixed
- includes all the **important** facts and reasons
- ends **effectively** explaining what the writer would like to see done.

Business letter:

- uses a **consistent** style (semi-block or full block)
- presents information completely and in the correct order
- includes all the parts of a business letter heading, inside address, salutation, body, complimentary closing, and signature
- clearly, immediately states purpose
- provides accurate and complete details
- clearly states intent

Fictionalized journal entry:

- clear focus on a character
- clear focus on an ongoing event or experience
- contain impressions, reflections, and observations about life, people, and experiences
- provides **relevant** insight into the personality and values of the character.

Short Script:

- **clear** stage directions: time, place, characters, action, entrances and exits.
- gives clear details of setting that lead into the beginning of the script
- employs dialogue that moves the action along
- builds around a believable conflict or problem that makes sense in the lives of the main characters
- includes (if multimedia) graphics, music, Blend In, Cut To, Fade In, Fade Out, Insert, and other elements.

Biographical profile:

- includes **some** key ideas learned about the person
- begins by sharing basic background information
- adequately describes the subject and explains some of what he or she accomplished
- **some** evidence of leaving the readers with something to think about and consider.

Problem-solution essay:

- adequately focuses on a problem that is important to self
- identifies the problem in a basic statement
- provides **some** analysis of the problem, explaining **some** parts, history, and causes
- adequately weighs possible solutions
- offers some explanation of why the situation exists and how it can be fixed
- includes some facts and reasons
- ends with a **simple** explanation of what the writer would like to see done.

Business letter:

- uses an inconsistent style (semi-block or full block)
- presents basic information and in the correct order
- includes some parts of a business letter heading, inside address, salutation, body, complimentary closing, and signature
- states basic purpose
- provides basic and adequate details
- states intent

Fictionalized journal entry:

- inconsistent focus on character
- **inconsistent** focus on an ongoing event or experience
- contain adequate impressions, reflections, and observations about life, people, and experiences
- provides **basic** description of the personality and values of the character.

Short Script:

- includes **basic** stage directions: **some** information on time, characters, actions, entrances and/or exits.
- gives basic details of setting that lead into the beginning of the script
- employs **basic** dialogue
- builds around a **simple** conflict or problem
- includes basic (if multimedia) graphics, music, Blend In, Cut To, Fade In, Fade Out, Insert, and other elements.

• provides **insufficient** conclusions.

Biographical profile:

- includes **limited** ideas learned about the person
- begins by sharing limited background information
- vaguely describes the subject and partially explains what he or she accomplished
- does not leave the readers with something to think about and consider.

Problem-solution essay:

- lacks focus on a problem of importance
- identifies the problem in a vague statement
- limited analysis of the problem
- **limited** discussion of solutions
- vague explanation of why situation exists and how it can be fixed
- **limited** facts and reasons
- ends with a **limited** explanation of what the writer would like to see done.

Business letter:

- uses an inconsistent style (semi-block or full block)
- presents insufficient information and/or an illogical order.
- includes some parts of a business letter heading, inside address, salutation, body, complimentary closing, and signature
- inadequately states purpose
- provides insufficient and/or inaccurate details
- ineffectively states intent

Fictionalized journal entry:

- **unfocused** attention on character
- unfocused attention on an ongoing event or experience
- contain **limited** impressions, reflections, and observations about life, people, and experiences
- provides limited description of the personality and values of the character.

Short Script:

- includes **limited** stage directions: time, place, characters, actions, entrances and/or exits.
- gives **limited or no** details of setting that lead into the beginning of the script
- employs ineffective dialogue.
- Conflict or problem is **not believable or doesn't makes sense** in the lives of the main characters
- includes limited (if multimedia) graphics, music, Blend In, Cut To, Fade In, Fade Out, Insert, and other elements.

| Use of Strategies CC A/B10.4 b. Select, use, and evaluate purposefully a variety of before, during, and after strategies to construct and communicate meaning when writing. | BEFORE Skillfully generates prompts or a topic and activates prior knowledge. Thoughtfully considers purpose and audience. Generates and identifies comprehensive ideas and information. Strategically chooses/adapts a possible form. Skillfully collects and focuses relevant and compelling ideas and information. Strategically plans and organizes ideas for drafting. | BEFORE Considers prompts or finds a topic and activates prior knowledge. Considers purpose and audience. Considers and generates specific ideas and information. Considers and purposefully chooses/adapts a possible form. Collects and focuses ideas and information. Plans and organizes ideas for drafting. | BEFORE Generally considers or finds a topic and activates prior knowledge. Generally considers purpose and audience. Generally considers and generates ideas and information. Generally considers or chooses a possible form. Collects general ideas and information. Some planning and organizing of ideas for drafting. | BEFORE Rarely considers prompts or finds a topic and activates prior knowledge. Rarely considers purpose and audience. Rarely considers ideas and information. Rarely considers form. Rarely collects ideas and information. Little evidence of planning and organizing ideas for drafting. |
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| | DURING Creates draft(s) and confidently experiments with possible product(s) Skillfully uses language and its cues and conventions to compose and create a message. Strategically confers with others to create quality text. Skillfully reflects, clarifies, self-monitors, self-corrects, and uses a variety of "fix-up" strategies. Confidently experiments with communication features and techniques (content, organization, purpose, audience, context). | DURING Creates draft(s) and experiments with possible product(s). Competently uses language and its cues and conventions to compose and create a message. Purposefully confers with others to create quality text. Clearly reflects, clarifies, self-monitors, self-corrects, and uses a variety of "fix-up" strategies. Competently experiments with communication features and technique. | DURING Creates some draft(s) and may experiment with possible product(s) Inconsistent use of language and its cues and conventions to compose and create a message Inconsistently confers with others to improve text. Inconsistent use of "fix-up" strategies Basic use of communication features and techniques. | DURING Partially creates draft(s) and ineffectively experiments with possible product(s) Uses language and its cues and conventions inaccurately or ineffectively to compose and create a message. Limited evidence of conferring with others. Limited or inaccurate use of "fix-up" strategies. Limited or inaccurate use of communication features and techniques. |
| | AFTER Consistently revises for content, meaning and organization by adding, deleting, substituting, and rethinking. Skilfully revises for sentence structure, word choice, spelling, and mechanics. Strategically confers with peers, teacher, or others to create quality text. | AFTER Revises for content, meaning and organization by adding, deleting, substituting, and rethinking. Accurately revises for sentence structure, word choice, spelling, and mechanics. Purposefully confers with peers, teacher, or others to create quality text. | AFTER Inconsistent revision of content, meaning and organization. Inconsistent revision of sentence structure, word choice, spelling, and mechanics. Inconsistently confers with peers, teacher, or others to improve text. | AFTER Limited revision of content, meaning and organization. Limited or incorrect revision of sentence structure, word choice, spelling, and mechanics. Rarely confers with peers, teacher, or others to improve text. |
| Cues and Conventions CC A/B10.4 c. Understand and apply the pragmatic, textual, syntactic, semantic/lexical/morphological, graphophonic and other language cues and conventions to construct and communicate meaning when writing. | PRAGMATIC • Strategically selects and uses language register appropriate for the subject, context, audience, and purpose. • Consistently uses conventional "standard" English when required. | PRAGMATIC • Purposefully selects and uses language register appropriate for the subject, context, audience, and purpose. • Uses conventional "standard" English when required. | PRAGMATIC Inconsistent use of language connected to subject, context, audience, and purpose. Inconsistent use of conventional "standard" English when required. | PRAGMATIC • Limited or incorrect use of language register for the subject, context, audience, and purpose. • Limited use of conventional "standard" English when required. |
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- Strategically selects and uses modes of discourse (descriptive, narrative, expository, or persuasive) and text forms appropriate for subject, purpose, and audience.
- Skilfully creates texts that are unified and compelling.

SYNTACTICAL

- Skillfully selects and uses formal written sentences that are compelling, meaningful, correctly punctuated, and devoid of ambiguous expressions.
- **Skillfully** uses sentences that are **varied** in form (including subordination and parallelism).
- Skillfully demonstrates control over such elements as subject-verb agreement, pronounantecedent agreement, pronoun reference, pronoun agreement, verb forms, verb tense, correct use of that/which, who/whom.

SEMANTIC/LEXICAL/MORPHOLOGICAL

 Uses vivid words precisely, skillfully (including prepositions, homonyms, plurals and possessives, and meaning) and for effect (e.g., to create imagery, to communicate figuratively, to communicate symbolically, as an allusion)

GRAPHOPHONIC

• Competently and consistently recognizes and uses Canadian spelling conventions.

OTHER CUES AND CONVENTIONS

- Skillfully uses communication elements such as neatness, underlining, indentations, spacing, and margins to enhance the clarity and the legibility of communication.
- **Skillfull** use of written elements (font size, type face, formatting) to **enhance** meaning.

- Purposefully selects and uses modes of discourse (descriptive, narrative, expository, or persuasive) and text forms appropriate for subject, purpose, and audience.
- Competently creates texts that are unified and coherent.

SYNTACTICAL

- Competently selects and uses formal written sentences that are meaningful, clear, correctly punctuated, and devoid of ambiguous expressions.
- Consistently uses sentences that are varied in form (including subordination and parallelism).
- Consistently demonstrates control over such elements as subject-verb agreement, pronounantecedent agreement, pronoun reference, pronoun agreement, verb forms, verb tense, correct use of that/which, who/whom.

SEMANTIC/LEXICAL/MORPHOLOGICAL

 Uses words precisely, accurately (including prepositions, homonyms, plurals and possessives, and meanings) and for effect (e.g., to create imagery, to communicate figuratively, to communicate symbolically, as an allusion)

GRAPHOPHONIC

 Accurately recognizes and uses Canadian spelling conventions.

OTHER CUES AND CONVENTIONS

- Consistently uses communication elements such as neatness, underlining, indentations, spacing, and margins to enhance the clarity and the legibility of communication.
- Uses appropriate written elements (font size, type face, formatting).

- Inconsistent use of modes of discourse (descriptive, narrative, expository, or persuasive) and text forms for subject, purpose, and audience.
- Creates basic texts with adequate evidence of coherence.

SYNTACTICAL

- Inconsistently selects and uses formal written sentences that are meaningful, clear, and correctly punctuated.
- Uses **basic** sentence forms.
- Inconsistent use and application of such elements as subject-verb agreement, pronounantecedent agreement, pronoun reference, pronoun agreement, verb forms, verb tense, correct use of that/which, who/whom.

SYNTACTICAL

• Limited or incorrect use of formal written sentences.

• Limited or incorrect use of modes of discourse

Creates texts that lack unity and coherence.

(descriptive, narrative, expository, or

• **Limited** use of sentence forms.

persuasive) and text forms.

• **Limited or incorrect** use of elements of language.

SEMANTIC/LEXICAL/MORPHOLOGICAL

 Some use of accurate, precise words (including prepositions, homonyms, plurals and possessives, and meaning) or for effect (e.g., to create imagery, to communicate figuratively, to communicate symbolically, as an allusion)

GRAPHOPHONIC

• **Inconsistent** use of Canadian spelling conventions.

OTHER CUES AND CONVENTIONS

- Inconsistent use of communication elements such as neatness, underlining, indentations, spacing, and margins.
- **Inconsistent** use of written elements (font size, type face, formatting).

SEMANTIC/LEXICAL/MORPHOLOGICAL

 Uses words incorrectly or inaccurately (including prepositions, homonyms, plurals and possessives, and meaning)

GRAPHOPHONIC

• Limited use of Canadian spelling conventions.

OTHER CUES AND CONVENTIONS

- Limited use of communication elements such neatness, underlining, indentations, spacing, and margins.
- **Limited** use of written elements (font size, type face, formatting).