Outcome (Indicator)	4 – Mastery	3 – Proficient	2 – Approaching	1 – Beginning
Context CC8.1 Create various written texts that explore identity, social responsibility and efficacy	Creates with originality and sophistication written texts that explore identity, social responsibility, and efficacy that include an:	Creates with clarity and correctness written texts that explore identity, social responsibility, and efficacy that include a:	Creates basic written texts that explore identity, social responsibility, and efficacy that include a:	Creates limited written texts that explore identity, social responsibility, and efficacy that include a:
	 Insightful message content or idea (meaning) that creates a strong impact. Sophisticated organization and coherence (form) Complex use of language conventions (style and language choices) 	 Well-developed message content or ideas(meaning) Competent organization and coherence (form) Competent use of language conventions (style and language choices) 	 Basic message content or ideas(meaning) Adequate organization and coherence (form) Inconsistent use of language conventions (style and language choices) 	 Limited message content or ideas (meaning) Limited organization and coherence (form) Limited use of language conventions (style and language choices)
Message CC8.8 Write to describe a landscape scene; narrate a personal story or anecdote and a historical narrative; explain and inform in a presentation of findings, a biography, a documented research report, and a résumé and covering letter; and persuade in a mini-debate and a review.				
(a)Demonstrate the ability to write effective, coherent multiparagraph (minimum of 5 paragraphs) narrative, descriptive, expository, and persuasive essays of at least 500 to 800 words using appropriate before, during, and after strategies	Writes an engaging , insightful multi-paragraph (at least 5 paragraphs) text of 500 to 800 words that demonstrates deep understanding	Writes an effective, coherent multi-paragraph (minimum of 5 paragraphs) text of at least 500 to 800 words	Writes an adequate , generally coherent multiparagraph (3-4 paragraphs) text of less than 500 words	Writes an ineffective, confusing multi-paragraph text of less than 300 words
(b) Narrate a personal story or anecdote and a historical narrative	Writes an engaging and insightful narrative text that purposefully: • establishes a context, plot, and point of view • uses a range of narrative devices with purpose • makes the narrative engaging • develops character through a variety of techniques (description, internal & external dialogue, actions, reactions of others, etc.) • develops the plot leading to a climax or conclusion.	Writes a well-developed narrative text that consistently: • establishes a context, plot, and point of view • uses a range of narrative devices • makes the narrative engaging • develops character using a variety of techniques (description, internal & external dialogue, actions, reactions of others, etc.) • develops the plot, leading to a climax or conclusion.	 Writes a narrative text that inconsistently: establishes a context, plot, and point of view uses narrative devices makes the narrative engaging develops character using a variety of some techniques (description, internal & external dialogue, actions, reactions of others, etc.) develops the plot leading to a climax or conclusion. 	 Writes a narrative text that rarely: establishes a context, plot, and point of view uses a range of narrative devices makes the narrative engaging develops character using a variety of techniques (description, internal & external dialogue, actions, reactions of others, etc.) develops the plot leading to a climax or conclusion.
(c) Explain and inform in a presentation of findings, a biography, a documented research report, and a résumé and covering letter	Writes a sophisticated, complex and rich expository, informational, or procedural text that: • poses questions relevant • introduces the purpose, and/or defines a thesis • supports the topic with important facts, details, examples, and explanations from multiple sources • related ideas are grouped together and sequenced logically • states summary or conclusion • is accurate and complete • cites sources	Writes a well-developed expository, informational, and procedural text that: poses relevant questions introduces the purpose, and/or defines a thesis supports the topic with important facts, details, examples, and explanations from multiple sources related ideas are grouped together and sequenced logically states summary or conclusion is accurate and complete cites sources	Writes an expository, informational, or procedural text that inconsistently: poses relevant questions introduces the purpose, and/or defines a thesis supports the topic with important facts, details, examples, and explanations from multiple sources related ideas are grouped together and sequenced logically states summary or conclusion is accurate and complete cites sources	 Writes an expository, informational, or procedural text that rarely: poses relevant questions introduces the purpose, and/or defines a thesis supports the topic with important facts, details, examples, and explanations from multiple sources related ideas are grouped together and sequenced logically states summary or conclusion is accurate and complete cites sources
	Writes a sophisticated resume and covering letter that: • uses succinct language • is clearly organized • uses appropriate language and abbreviations • meets the purpose of self-promotion	Writes a well-developed resume and covering letter that: uses succinct language is clearly organized uses appropriate language & abbreviations meets the purpose of self-promotion	Writes a resume and covering letter that inconsistently: uses succinct language is clearly organized uses appropriate language and abbreviations meets the purpose of self-promotion	Writes a resume and covering letter that rarely: uses succinct language is clearly organized uses appropriate language and abbreviations meets the purpose of self-promotion

(d) Describe a place or landscape scene	Writes an original/evocative descriptive place or landscape scene that:	Writes a well-developed descriptive place or landscape scene that:	Writes a basic descriptive place or landscape scene that:	Writes a formulaic descriptive place or landscape scene that:
	 presents a creative and colourful picture of the place includes engaging sensory details and vivid words uses a creative order with purpose sets a strong mood using a variety of precise adjectives 	 presents a clear and colourful picture of the place includes sensory details and vivid words uses a logical order sets a mood using precise adjectives 	 presents a picture of the place includes some sensory details and vivid words uses a generally logical order sets a weak mood by using basic adjectives 	 presents an unclear picture of the place includes basic details and words uses a formulaic order sets an unclear mood
(e) Persuade in a mini-debate and a review	 Writes a convincing, persuasive text that: states a thesis skillfully provides strong support with sophisticated reasons, explanations, and evidence supports opinion with insightful examples from text presents a clear organization chosen to enhance clarity maintains a respectful tone creates a reflective or analytical ending 	Writes a well-developed persuasive text that: • states a thesis clearly and convincingly • provides support with reasons, explanations, and evidence • supports opinion with examples from text • presents a clear organization • maintains a respectful tone • creates a logical ending	Writes a somewhat convincing persuasive text that: • states a thesis • provides adequate support with reasons, explanations, and evidence • supports opinion with vague examples from text • presents an adequate organization • uses a respectful tone • creates a basic ending	 Writes an unclear, irrelevant persuasive text that: states a confused thesis provides limited support with reasons, explanations, and evidence opinion is not supported with examples from text presents a confused organization sometimes uses an inappropriate tone ending is unclear or illogical
Use of Strategies CC8.3 Select and use the appropriate strategies to communicate meaning with clarity, correctness and variety • before • during • after speaking, writing, and other representing activities	 Insightful use of prior knowledge & experience Thoughtful consideration of purpose & audience Gathers information from a variety of sources, consistently focusing on topic Thoughtfully organizes ideas in an appropriate manner by independently selecting from a variety of organizers Discussion with others adds breadth and depth to ideas before and throughout the writing process Plan demonstrates creativity 	Clear use of prior knowledge & experience are evident Considers purpose & audience Gathers information from several similar sources, consistently focusing on topic Independently organizes ideas using a web or graphic organizer Explores and expands topic through discussion with others before and throughout the writing process Plan is well developed	Predictive use of prior knowledge & experience evident Inconsistently considers purpose & audience Gathers information from a couple of sources; generally focusing on topic Organizes ideas using a web or graphic organizer with teacher support Discusses ideas with others in a structured format before and throughout the writing process Plan is rudimentary; lacking refinement	Unfocused use of prior knowledge & experience Difficulty considering purpose & audience Gathers information but may not consistently focus on topic Organizes ideas using a web or graphic organize when supplied by the teacher and supported in use May not discuss ideas with others There is little evidence of planning
	 DURING Draft includes thoughtful attention to thorough detail, examples, & explanations Transitions support and strengthen the flow of ideas Thoughtful sequence and development of ideas Purposefully use conferring to improve writing Accurate collecting and organizing of citation information 	 DURING Draft includes enriching detail Transitions support the flow of ideas Straightforward sequence and development of ideas Confer with others to improve writing Competent collecting and organizing of citation information 	 DURING Draft includes some attention to detail Transitions usually support the flow of ideas Rudimentary sequence or development of ideas Uses teacher support to confer with others to improve writing Inaccurate collecting and organizing of citation information 	 DURING Draft includes little supporting detail Transitions interrupt the flow of ideas or are no evident Limited sequence or development of ideas Conferring with others does not improve writing No collection and organization of citation information
	 AFTER Purposefully self-monitors, identifying strengths and needed changes Independently edits Revisions demonstrate meaningful changes in response to feedback Revisions include corrections to mechanics when necessary 	 AFTER Self-monitors, identifying strengths and needed changes Edits Revisions appropriately respond to feedback Revisions include most corrections to mechanics 	 AFTER Identifies strengths and needed changes using a pre-determined framework Edits using a checklist. Revisions shows some evidence of responding to feedback Revisions include some corrections to mechanics 	AFTER Identifies strengths and needed changes with adult support May edit using a checklist with adult support Revisions shows little evidence of responding to feedback Few noticeable changes have been made to mechanics
Cues & Conventions CC8.4 Use cues to construct and communicate meaning with clarity, correctness, and variety • pragmatic • textual • syntactical • semantic/lexical/morphological • graphophonic • other cues	PRAGMATIC Language is thoughtfully used for audience and purpose Tone and voice are imaginative and engaging Uses, in a sophisticated manner, standard Canadian English that follows accepted rules of usage	PRAGMATIC Language is appropriate for audience and purpose Tone and voice are evident Uses standard Canadian English that follows accepted rules of usage	PRAGMATIC Language is inconsistent for audience and purpose Tone and voice are sometimes evident Inconsistently uses standard Canadian English that follows accepted rules of usage	PRAGMATIC Language is inappropriate for audience and purpose Tone and voice are not evident Inappropriately uses standard Canadian English that follows accepted rules of usage

TEXTUAL

- Point of view is established and purposeful
- **Purposefully** uses and applies text organizational features such as:
 - Organizational patterns
 - Strong leads and conclusions
 - Coherence

SYNTACTICAL

- Strategically formulates complete, simple, compound and complex sentences correctly (avoiding run-ons & fragments)
- Uses a variety of sentence openers for effect
- Varies sentence lengths for special effect
- **Purposefully** uses verb tense correctly and appropriately (subject verb agreement)
- Employs creative and strategic use of capitalization and punctuation including periods, commas, semicolons, quotation marks, colons, dashes, hyphens and apostrophes
- Creatively uses connecting words (conjunctions and transitions)

SEMANTICAL/LEXICAL/MORPHOLOGICAL/GRAPHOPHONIC/OTHER

- Strategic and purposeful use of literary devices
- Spelling is **consistently** correct
- Demonstrates a **large** vocabulary
- Uses precise words clearly and correctly to clarify meaning and create an impact

TEXTUAL

- Point of view is established
- **Consistently** uses and applies text organizational features such as:
 - Organizational patterns
 - Strong leads and conclusions
 - Coherence

SYNTACTICAL

- Formulates complete, simple, compound and complex sentences correctly (avoiding run-ons & fragments)
- Varies sentence openers
- Contains a variety of sentence lengths
- Uses verb tense **correctly and appropriately** (subject verb agreement)
- Employs effective capitalization and punctuation including periods, commas, semicolons, quotation marks, colons, dashes, hyphens and apostrophes
- Uses **appropriate** connecting words (conjunctions and transitions)

SEMANTICAL/LEXICAL/MORPHOLOGICAL/GRAPHOPHONIC/OTHER

- **Purposeful** use of literary devices
- Spelling is **usually** correct
- Varies vocabulary
- Uses precise words clearly and correctly

TEXTUAL

- Point of view is inconsistent
- **Inconsistently** uses and applies text organizational features such as:
 - Organizational patterns
 - Strong leads and conclusions
 - Coherence

SYNTACTICAL

- Inconsistently formulates complete, simple, compound and complex sentences correctly (avoiding run-ons & fragments)
- **Some variety** of sentence openers
- Contains a basic variety of sentence lengths
- **Inconsistently** uses correct verb tense (subject verb agreement)
- Inconsistent capitalization and punctuation including periods, commas, semicolons, quotation marks, colons, dashes, hyphens and apostrophes
- Uses **basic** connecting words (conjunctions and transitions)

SEMANTICAL/LEXICAL/MORPHOLOGICAL/GRAPHOPHONIC/OTHER

- **Limited** use of literary devices
- Spelling is **inconsistently** correct
- Demonstrates a basic vocabulary
- **Sometimes** uses precise words

TEXTUAL

- Point of view is confused
- **Partially** uses and applies text organizational features such as:
 - Organizational patterns
 - Strong leads and conclusions
 - Coherence

SYNTACTICAL

- Incorrectly formulates complete, simple, compound and complex sentences correctly and may not avoid run-ons & fragments
- Repetitive sentence openers
- Repetitive sentence lengths
- Verb tense is **confused** (subject verb agreement)
- Frequent incorrect capitalization and punctuation including periods, commas, semicolons, quotation marks, colons, dashes, hyphens and apostrophes
- Rarely uses appropriate connecting words (conjunctions and transitions)

SEMANTICAL/LEXICAL/MORPHOLOGICAL/GRAPHOPHONIC/OTHER

- No use of literary devices
- Spelling is often **incorrect**
- Demonstrates a **limited** vocabulary
- Uses **vague** words