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	Exemplary	Proficient	Satisfactory	Basic/Emerging
TEXT **General Information (Qualitative and Quantitative Observations)** *Sci: Demonstrates and applies knowledge and understanding of the concepts*	Provides detailed and thorough information about the place, day, time, and weather conditions.	Provides basic information about the place, day, time, and weather conditions.	Provides only some information about either the place, day, time, or weather conditions.	Provides no information about the place, day, time, or weather conditions.
Written Observation *LA: Explores thoughts, ideas, feelings, and experiences.*	Describes observations with rich and relevant details, description, and/or explanations	Describes observations with relevant details, description, and/or explanations.	Description includes a few relevant details, description, and/or explanations.	Description does not include relevant details, description, and/or explanations.
CONVENTIONS OF WRITING **Neatness and Organization** *LA: Manages ideas and information.*	excellent use of sentences and paragraphs where appropriate. exceptionally neat and organized.	proper use of sentences and paragraphs where appropriate. neat and organized.	There are several minor errors. some use of sentences and paragraphs where appropriate. somewhat neat and organized.	There are several major errors. limited use of sentences and paragraphs where appropriate. not neat and organized.
Sketches, Data and written information *Sci: Demonstrates understanding of the connections among science, technology, society*	The sketch is detailed and labeled neatly Written description is insightful, and makes at least 3 rich and detailed points or connections Writing is engaging	The sketch is detailed. Written description is effective and makes a few specific points or connections. Writing is interesting	The sketch is there. Written description is credible with predictable information	The sketch shows minimal effort. Written description is lacking any information.

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