Journal Response and Comprehension Rubric

Use this rubric to assess students’ abilities to complete the journal activities assigned for this lesson. Share this assessment with students prior to completing the journal-writing lesson so they will understand how they will be assessed. You can also use the rubric as a basis for discussion and feedback with each student.

Student name: ________________________  Date: ________________________

1. The student writes journal responses in complete sentences.  ____

2. The student writes three or more sentences to answer questions.  ____

3. The student responds to questions by self-questioning, retelling, predicting, or assuming the role of a character.  ____

4. The student’s experiences and opinions are clear.  ____

5. The student works with a peer to share journal responses and to develop a combined response when requested.  ____

Scale:

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The student completes the task with no major errors. The student demonstrates a full understanding of the concepts.

The student completes the task with only a few major errors and some minor errors. The student demonstrates a strong understanding of the concepts.

The student completes the task with some major errors and many minor errors. The student has difficulty understanding the concepts.

The student fails to complete the task. The student does not understand the concepts.

Include anecdotal notes in the space below: