

Historical Marker Rubric

TRAITS	4 pts.	3 pts.	2 pts.	1 pt.
HISTORICAL LOCATION	Writer thoroughly explains the historical location with much detail.	Writer explains the historical location with detail but content is not well described.	Writer explains the historical location with limited detail but ideas are not clear.	Writer does not explain the historical location.
AUDIENCE	Writer demonstrates a strong understanding of the audience, using appropriate language and content.	Writer demonstrates some attention to audience but presentation/ language is inconsistent.	Writer demonstrates a weak or limited understanding of audience using inappropriate language/content .	Writer does not show attention to audience.
PURPOSE	Writer describes at least 3 important facts about the location.	Writer describes 2 important facts about the location.	Writer describes 1 important fact about the location.	Writer does not clearly identify or describe facts about the location.
CONTENT & CREDIBILITY	Writer clearly demonstrates knowledge about location, facts are accurate, and writer has a strong understanding of historical importance.	Writer demonstrates general knowledge about the location, but content reflects a limited understanding of the location.	Writer demonstrates a weaker understanding of the historical significance. Information is limited or incomplete.	Writer presents little information about the location or information is inaccurate.
LANGUAGE	Writer follows all guidelines for spelling, grammar, usage, mechanics, etc. Sentences are strong and have a varied structure.	Writer follows most guidelines, but some sentences are unclear, uneven, or contain errors.	Writer follows some guidelines, but sentences contain multiple errors and are difficult to understand.	Writer has difficulty following guidelines; most sentences contain numerous errors and cannot be understood.