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Use the lists below to check the voice in your writing as you work. I will use these same lists to grade your completed assignments, with a 5 being the highest score and 1 being the lowest.

Score = 5

- The story has personality and shows how the character thinks and feels.
- The tone fits the purpose and audience.
- The writing is lively, expressive, and engaging.
- The author cares about the topic and audience, and it shines through in the writing.

Score = 3

- The story has some personality, but it is hard to identify the writer.
- The tone is apparent in some parts of the writing.
- The author does more telling than showing feeling.
- The author cares most of the time about the topic and audience.

Score = 1

- The writing contains little or no personality.
- There is no evidence of tone in the writing.
- The author tells about feeling without showing it.
- The author does not seem to care about the topic or the audience.