

Student name: _____

CAUSE-AND-EFFECT PARAGRAPH RUBRIC

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Introductory sentence	A creative introductory sentence made the reader interested in reading the paragraph	An introductory sentence with some creativity was included	A simple introductory sentence was included	No introductory sentence was included
Cause-and-effect relationships	At least three cause-and-effect relationships were clearly described in detail	Two cause-and-effect relationships were clearly described in detail	One cause-and-effect relationship was clearly described in detail	No cause-and-effect relationships were described
Concluding sentence	A creative, clear, and interesting concluding sentence was included	A concluding sentence with some creativity was included	A simple concluding sentence was included	No concluding sentence was included
Logical order/organization	Information in paragraph was very organized	Information in paragraph was somewhat organized	Information in paragraph was poorly organized	Information in paragraph was not organized
Language conventions	No capitalization, spelling, or punctuation errors	One to three capitalization, spelling, or punctuation errors	Four to six capitalization, spelling, or punctuation errors	More than six capitalization, spelling, or punctuation errors

Total score: _____