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## Newspaper Reports Rubrics (Writing, Media and Geography)

| <b>Learning Goal:</b> We are learning to write a newspaper report.  We are learning to use media conventions to communicate. |             |                           |   | <b>Learning Goal:</b> We are learning to ask inquiry questions to guide research around sustainability, and communicate our ideas to the public. |  | Journalist:   | Literacy Level:   | Geography Level:   |
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| Categories   |             |                           | Categories  | Success Criteria   | Level 4  | Level 3   | Level 2   | Level 1  |
| LITERACY   | Application |                           | Knowledge & Understanding - write texts of a variety of lengths and forms | I use the writing process to create a newspaper report. I use ideas, information, resources and feedback   | - creatively uses all<br>elements of the<br>required form          | - uses elements of the required form                                | - uses many elements<br>of the required form                              | - beginning to use<br>elements of the required<br>form                         |
|  |             | Thinking                  | Organization - the structure of a piece of writing                        | I can identify and organize my main ideas into paragraphs with a hook/ topic sentence, supporting details and transition/ conclusion.            | - creative use of paragraph-structure to meet all criteria         | - well-developed<br>paragraph structure<br>meeting success criteria | - some evidence of proper paragraph structure                             | - beginning to structure<br>into proper paragraphs<br>to meet success criteria |
|  |             |                           | Ideas - the meaning, development of message                               | I express my thoughts, feelings and ideas in a way appropriate to my audience.   | - thoroughly and<br>creatively sorts and<br>identifies ideas/ info | - effectively sorts and identifies ideas and information            | -occasionally sorts and identifies ideas and information                  | - beginning to sort and identify ideas and information                         |
|  |             |                           | Voice - the way the writer brings the topic to life                       | I express a point of view (p.o.v.) or research using professional language (1st or 3rd person).  | - creatively uses p.o.v<br>and tone to engage                      | - uses p.o.v. and tone to engage audience                           | - expresses some<br>thoughts and p.o.v                                    | -beginning to express thoughts and p.o.v.                                      |
|  |             | ication                   | Sentence Fluency - the way the words and phrases flow                     | I use a combination of short and long sentences. I can use linking words to transition my reader.  | - creative use of long and short sentences                         | - consistently uses long and short phrases                          | - uses some variety of long and short phrases                             | -beginning to use short and long sentences                                     |
|  |             | Communication             | Convention - the use of headlines, pictures, etc,                         | I use conventions (headlines, pictures, captions, writing) to write for a specific meaning and purpose   | - creatively uses<br>spelling, punctuation<br>and grammar rules    | - uses spelling,<br>punctuation and<br>grammar rules                | - uses some correct<br>spelling, punctuation<br>and grammar rules         | -beginning to use spelling, punctuation and grammar rules.                     |
| GEOGRAPHY  |             | Thinking                  |   | I have used inquiry research to investigate environmental issues   | - several creative and deep thinking questions                     | - many deep questions<br>to guide research                          | - some questions that guide inquiry research                              | -few simple questions that guide research                                      |
|  |             | Knowledge & Understanding |   | I demonstrate an understanding of the theme of sustainability  | - many deep and<br>insightful ideas around<br>sustainability       | - can connect<br>sustainability to world<br>issues                  | - understands definition<br>of sustainability, can<br>offer some examples | -beginning to explore sustainability   |
|  |             | Com                       | munication  | I use appropriate vocabulary   | - creative use of geographic vocabulary                            | - many vocabulary<br>words used                                     | - some vocabulary<br>words used   | -limited to no<br>geography vocabulary   |
| Stars:   |             |                           |   |  | Next Steps:  |   |   |  |
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