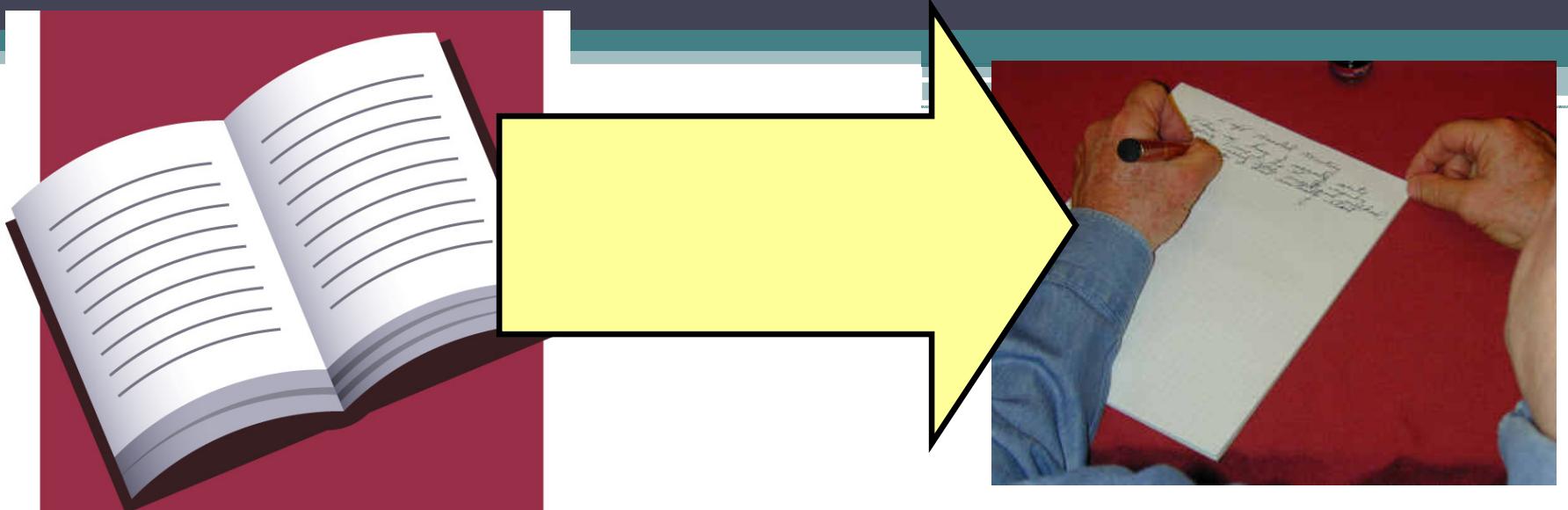


# Assessing Summaries of Texts



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# SUTW Summary Scoring Guide

Focus is the same as the Expository Scoring Guide

- Organization
- Content
- Style
- GMP (Grammar,  
Mechanics, Presentation)

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BIG DIFFERENCE:

NO REDS and NO CONCLUSION



Focus area

# What does the Scoring Guide look like?

Level of proficiency

	<b>Below Basic (D)</b> Little or no attempt at a plan	<b>Basic (C)</b> Attempts a plan; plan sketchy	<b>Proficient (B)</b> Clear Plan	<b>Advanced (A)</b> Thorough Plan with useful details	Score
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Notice No  
Reds!

# Let's Practice

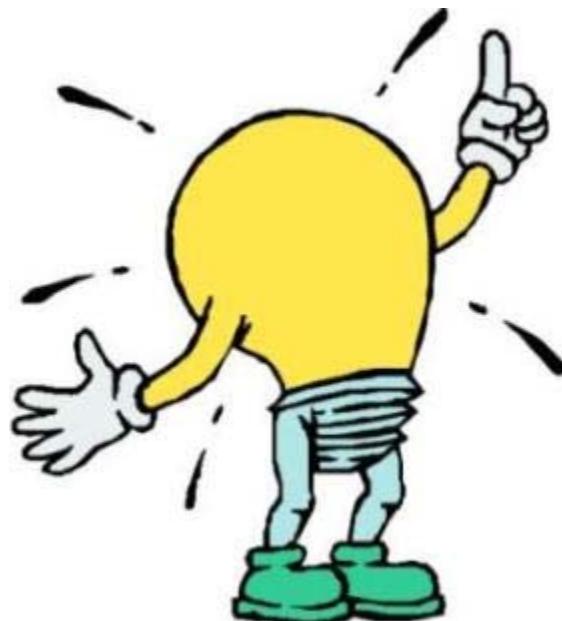
- Look at the student sample provided.
- Look at the rubric that you have been given.
- Score the student using the scoring guide.

## Expository Paragraph Scoring Guide

Prompt/Topic		Below Basic (D)	Basic (C)	Proficient (B)	Advanced (A)	Score
Organization	Little or no attempt at a plan	Topic Sentence is absent or unclear Facts are unclear	Attempts a plan; plan sketchy Fact are clear	Clear Plan Topic Sentence clearly fits topic Accurate facts	Thorough Plan with useful details Strong topic sentence clearly fits the topic Facts are shared with confidence and emphasis Transitions smoothly connect all ideas Many examples; significant evidence to support the topic	
	No or incorrect transitions	Transitions are not used effectively	Few/Weak examples/explanations to support the topic	Transitions fit the purpose Some good examples & clear explanations to support the topic	Solid conclusion restates topic sentence	
	No examples/explanations to support the topic	Weak conclusion			Strong conclusion addresses the topic in a new way	
	No or inappropriate conclusion					
Content	Not enough information; unclear information	Repeated information or it wanders from the topic	Incomplete examples; need further clarification	All information relates to the prompt/topic Examples/explanations help reader clearly understand the topic	Quality and quantity of information educate the reader Highly accurate and, explanations, interesting examples and evidence	
	Inaccurate, confusing, or omitted examples			Cleady addresses the prompt/topic	Fully develops a prompt or topic	
	No clear connection to prompt/topic					
Style	Many fragments &/or run-on sentences; several short, choppy sentences	Mostly simple sentences or sentences that begin the same way	Different sentences structures; variety in the familiar/ordinary words; descriptive words use effectively	A variety of simple, compound, and complex sentences rich words & content words engage reader		
	repeated words or phrases; many words use incorrectly	basic words and descriptions fit the purpose but needs development	style, tone, and voice fit purpose	style, tone, and voice accurately fit purpose; specific words and sentence structures enhance the purpose		
	no clear purpose					
GMP	Many errors in CLEPS; no sense of paragraphing	Some errors CLEPS; some sense of paragraphing	Few errors in CLEPS; accurate paragraphing	Minimal errors in CLEPS		
	shows lack of language skill	some problems with language	correct use of language	skilled use of language		
	not readable	not neat; still readable	neat, readable	exceptionally neat		
				Total Score		

# Break Down the Prompt

Read the  $2\frac{1}{2}$ -page description of the Pharaohs of Egypt. Write a good summary of this section of the textbook.



topic?

purpose?

# Student Sample #1

The section of the book called “The Pharaohs” describes the lives of these important leaders in ancient Egypt. Pharaohs were kings who were treated like gods. Some Egyptians kissed the ground that the pharaoh walked on. As rulers the pharaohs received gifts. Sometimes these gifts, often gold, came from other rulers who feared the pharaoh. Scribes wrote down everything that the pharaohs did. The writings were put into the pharaohs’ tombs. Celebrations were held in royal court, the home of the pharaoh. Celebrations included songs, stories, and games. To honor the gods, pharaohs built temples and put priests in charge of them. Many were built on the Nile River. Most temples had columns with carvings and painted decorations. Even today, tourists can visit the remains of the tombs and temples in Egypt.

# Assessing Sample #1

	<b>Below Basic (D)</b>	<b>Basic (C)</b>	<b>Proficient (B)</b>	<b>Advanced (A)</b>	Score
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<b>Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ Information is confusing or too much unnecessary detail</li> <li>_____ Sentence have no clear connection to the topic sentence</li> <li>_____ Content shows little or no comprehension of the text</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ Information sometimes repeated or unclear</li> <li>_____ some facts support the topic sentence</li> <li>_____ content shows some comprehension of the text</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ All information is clear and relates to the topic sentence</li> <li>✓ facts sequenced and explained well; clearly support the topic sentence</li> <li>_____ content shows comprehension of text</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Quality &amp; quantity of information show obvious attempt to support the topic sentence</li> <li>_____ Facts are sequenced and presented quite well, with confidence and skill</li> <li>✓ Content shows in-depth understanding of the text</li> </ul>	A
<b>Style</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ Many fragments &amp;/or run-on sentences; several short, choppy sentences</li> <li>_____ repeated words or phrases; many words use incorrectly</li> <li>_____ no clear purpose</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ Mostly simple sentences or sentences that begin the same way</li> <li>_____ basic words and descriptions</li> <li>_____ fits the purpose but needs development</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ Different sentences structures; variety in the</li> <li>✓ familiar/ordinary words; descriptive words use effectively</li> <li>_____ style, tone, and voice fit purpose</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ A variety of simple, compound, and complex sentences</li> <li>_____ rich words &amp; content vocab engage reader</li> <li>✓ style, tone, and voice accurately fit purpose; specific words and sentence structures enhance the purpose</li> </ul>	A
<b>CWP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ Many errors in CUPS; no sense of paragraphing</li> <li>_____ shows lack of language skill</li> <li>_____ not readable</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ Some errors CUPS; some sense of paragraphing</li> <li>_____ some problems with language</li> <li>_____ not neat; still readable</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>_____ Few errors in CUPS; accurate paragraphing</li> <li>_____ correct use of language</li> <li>_____ neat, readable</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Minimal errors in CUPS</li> <li>✓ skilled use of language</li> <li>✓ exceptionally neat</li> </ul>	A
<b>Total Score</b>					A

## Student Sample #2

The Egyptians had a Pharaoh for a king. This Pharaoh was believed to be a God. Some believed that he could even control weather. Pharaohs had scribes who write things down. At parties there were singers, dancers, and musicians. One of the few Queens was Hatshupant and she ruled for about 20 years. The pharaohs had many temples were at Karnak. They were began almost 3,500 years ago and pillars rise to about 70 ft. Priests had to be clean and could not eat pigs.

# Assessing Sample #2

	<b>Below Basic (D)</b>	<b>Basic (C)</b>	<b>Proficient (B)</b>	<b>Advanced (A)</b>	Score
<b>Organization</b>	<p>Little or no attempt at a plan</p> <p>no summary topic sentence; unclear topic sentence</p> <p>No facts or random facts</p> <p><b>✓ No sequencing sentences do not make sense</b></p>	<p>Attempts a plan; plan sketchy</p> <p><b>✓ attempts a summary topic sentence</b></p> <p><b>✓ Some facts; not well organized</b></p> <p>Some sequencing; sentences need to be developed</p>	<p>Clear Plan</p> <p>A clear topic sentence with title and summary verb</p> <p><b>Several facts; organized, make sense</b></p> <p>Good sequencing; sentences connect to one another</p>	<p>Thorough Plan with useful details</p> <p>A Strong topic sentence; well written with a definite purpose</p> <p>Several facts well organized to make a point</p> <p>Strong, logical sequencing</p>	<b>C+</b>
<b>Content</b>	<p><b>✓</b> - Information is confusing or too much unnecessary detail</p> <p>Sentences have no clear connection to the topic sentence</p> <p><b>✓</b> Content shows little or no comprehension of the text</p>	<p>Information sometimes repeated or unclear</p> <p><b>✓</b> some facts support the topic sentence</p> <p>content shows some comprehension of the text</p>	<p>All information is clear and relates to the topic sentence</p> <p><b>facts sequenced and explained well; clearly support the topic sentence</b></p> <p>content shows comprehension of text</p>	<p>Quality &amp; quantity of information show obvious attempt to support the topic sentence</p> <p>Facts are sequenced and presented quite well, with confidence and skill</p> <p>Content shows in-depth understanding of the text</p>	<b>D</b>
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				<b>Total Score</b>	<b>D</b>

# Student Sample #3

This section explained the Egyptian life. The way it was and the way it is. It explained how other powerful leaders from other countries were afraid of Egyptian Pharaohs. They often sent gifts of many things. It also told how the pharaohs had scribes that wrote down everything they said or did. Which were later put on their tombs or graves. There were explanations about the celebrations that went on at royal court. Of the music and the games. The temples in the article were made for worship of the gods. These temples were watched over by priests. Most temples were built along the Nile facing the sun rise for they thought the sunrise was the beginning of life. Tourists often visit the temple of Karnak with the largest columns and most beautiful carvings and paintings. With over 100 statues.

# Assessing Sample #3

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<b>Total Score</b>					C

# Student Sample #4

The article “The Pharaohs” describes the luxuries and responsibilities of the pharaohs. The Pharaoh was considered the most powerful person in Egypt. In fact he was considered a god. Pharaohs were very wealthy. They would receive gifts of gold because some countries feared their power. The pharaohs also had scribes write about everything. What he did, what he said, and the speeches he made. The Pharaohs were also known for building elaborate temples that honored their gods. They would then appoint a priest to manage those temples. The pharaohs built the temples on the east side of the Nile because they believed that was the start of life. Although the pharaohs are dead their memory lives on in the work of their elaborate tombs.

# Assessing Sample #4

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<b>Content</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information is confusing or too much unnecessary detail</li> <li>Sentences have no clear connection to the topic sentence</li> <li>Content shows little or no comprehension of the text</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information sometimes repeated or unclear</li> <li>some facts support the topic sentence</li> <li>content shows some comprehension of the text</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ All information is clear and relates to the topic sentence</li> <li>✓ facts sequenced and explained well; clearly support the topic sentence</li> <li>✓ content shows comprehension of text</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Quality &amp; quantity of information show obvious attempt to support the topic sentence</li> <li>Facts are sequenced and presented quite well, with confidence and skill</li> <li>Content shows in-depth understanding of the text</li> </ul>	B
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<b>Total Score</b>					<b>B</b>

# Adaptations for Non-ELA Classrooms

- Eliminate focus areas of style and GMP
- Just assess organization and content

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	Information is confusing or too much unnecessary detail  Sentence have no clear connection to the topic sentence  Content shows little or no comprehension of the text	Information sometimes repeated or unclear  some facts support the topic sentence  content shows some comprehension of the text	All information is clear and relates to the topic sentence  facts sequenced and explained well; clearly support the topic sentence  Content shows comprehension of text	Quality & quantity of information show obvious attempt to support the topic sentence  Facts are sequenced and presented quite well, with confidence and skill  Content shows in-depth understanding of the text	
	Major fragments &/or errors  Minor errors in content or punctuation	Minor errors in content or punctuation	Different content or punctuation	A variety of sentence structures	

# Again, why is this important?

- **Pushes** all students to reach higher achievement.
- Lets students know **exactly** why they received the grade they did.
- **Increases** teachers' expectations of students.

a Win/Win situation!