

peer editing checklist: community story

DIRECTIONS: First, read your partner’s story and highlight any sentences that you think are “telling.” Then, answer the questions that follow. Be prepared to give your partner tips on how to make their story better.

focus

Does the story...

- Share an interesting and true story about the community?
- Show, not tell the strength of the community?
- Show, not tell the setting and tone in the first few paragraphs?

organization

Does the story...

- Have a beginning, middle, and an end?
- Have an interesting climax?

conventions (grammar, spelling, mechanics)

Does the story...

- Use correct punctuation for dialogue?
- Have any spelling mistakes?
- Have any grammar mistakes?
- Use 10th grade or higher words?

style

Does the story...

- Use real dialogue and characters to add interest?
- Keep your interest from beginning to end?
- Leave you wanting to hear more?