

Student-Friendly Organization Rubric

(Expository)

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- My introduction will catch your eye.
- My main idea really stands out.
- Details go together.
- Wow! What an ending.
- Clear! Easy to follow! (my transitions show the way)

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- You could miss my MAIN point, if you didn't pay attention.
- You might need to read it twice to follow it.
- Oops! How did this detail get in here?
- My transitions often work well; however, sometimes they are too obvious or too weak for someone trying to follow my thinking.

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- An introduction? Heck—I just started in.
- What does the reader need to know first?
- I'm not sure what goes with what—HELP!
- An ending? I just stopped!
- Details are jumbled.
- My transitions may be missing or confusing.

These analytic rubrics were designed to be used with seventh and eighth grade students practicing for their upcoming state writing tests. The practice prompts we use with these rubrics can be found online at: http://writingfix.com/classroom_tools/nevada_writing_exam.htm#expos