

Narrative Text-Based Writing Rubric Grades 9–10

	Score of 4	Score of 3	Score of 2	Score of 1
Research	The writing — makes effective use of available resources effectively uses relevant and sufficient text support from the resources with accuracy effectively uses credible sources*	The writing — makes adequate use of available resources uses relevant and sufficient text support from the resources with accuracy uses credible sources*	The writing — makes limited use of available resources inconsistently uses relevant and sufficient text support from the resources with accuracy inconsistently uses credible sources*	The writing — makes inadequate use oresources fails to use relevant and support from the resource accuracy attempts to use credible
Development 3 × =	The writing — skillfully develops real or imagined experiences or events using well-chosen details skillfully uses narrative techniques (such as dialogue, pacing, description, reflection, and multiple plot lines) to develop experiences, events, and/or characters skillfully uses precise words and phrases, concrete details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters	The writing — develops real or imagined experiences or events using well-chosen details uses narrative techniques (such as dialogue, pacing, description, reflection, and multiple plot lines) to develop experiences, events, and/or characters uses precise words and phrases, concrete details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters	The writing — develops real or imagined experiences or events using insufficient details inconsistently uses narrative techniques (such as dialogue, pacing, description, reflection, and multiple plot lines) to develop experiences, events, and/or characters inconsistently uses precise words and phrases, concrete details, and sensory language to convey a vivid picture of the experiences, events, setting, and/or characters	The writing — develops real or imagine experiences or events us no detail uses few, if any, narrativ (such as dialogue, pacin description, reflection. ar plot lines) to develop expevents, and/or character uses few, if any, precise phrases, concrete details sensory language to con picture of the experience setting, and/or character
Organization 2 × =	The writing — skillfully engages and orients the reader by setting out a situation or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and, when appropriate, introducing a narrator and/or characters skillfully uses a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole skillfully creates a smooth progression of experiences or events skillfully provides a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative	The writing — • engages and orients the reader by setting out a situation or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and, when appropriate, introducing a narrator and/or characters • uses a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole • creates a smooth progression of experiences or events • provides a conclusion that follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative	The writing — inconsistently engages and orients the reader by ineffectively setting out a situation or observation, establishing one or multiple point(s) of view, and, when appropriate, introducing a narrator and/or characters inconsistently uses a variety of techniques to sequence events so that they build on one another to create a coherent whole has a progression of experiences or events that may lack cohesion provides a conclusion that ineffectively follows from and reflects on what is experienced, observed, or resolved over the course of the narrative	The writing — • fails to engage and orien by ineffectively setting or or observation, establish multiple point(s) of view, appropriate, introducing and/or characters • fails to sequence events build on one another to coherent whole • may lack a clear progres experiences or events • may lack a conclusion the from and reflects on what experienced, observed, cover the course of the national contents of the national c