

Water Essay Contest Judging Rubric

A minimum score of 3 in Content, 3 in Clarity and 2 in Creativity are required to win a County or City of Atlanta prize.

Points	Content	Clarity	Creativity
1	Demonstrates limited knowledge or understanding of the topic.	Sentence structure, word choice, make reading and understanding difficult.	No original or creative elements.
2	Demonstrates very general knowledge of the topic.	Sentence structure and/or word choice sometimes interfere with clarity.	Demonstrates some original and creative elements.
3	Demonstrates knowledge of the topic.	Sentences are well structured and words are chosen to communicate ideas clearly.	Demonstrates many original and creative elements that surprised and delighted the reader.
4	Demonstrates strong knowledge of the topic.	Writing flows smoothly from one idea to another.	