

Name _____ Date _____

Position Statement Rubric

Use this rubric to assess students' position statements.

Criteria	Developing	Approaching	Met
The position statement clearly and succinctly communicates the position. It is arguable.	The position is not clearly stated and/or no supporting facts from the reading are given.	The position is stated but only one or two supporting facts from the reading are given.	The position is clearly and explicitly stated and at least three supporting facts from the reading are given.
The position statement provides credible, researchable facts that are appropriately cited.	The position statement includes few credible facts. Facts are not appropriately cited.	The position statement includes some credible facts. Some facts are appropriately cited.	The presentation provides sufficient credible, researchable facts. All facts are appropriately cited.
The position statement is understandable and effective.	Factors such as poor organization, poor grammar, or lack of clarity in the writing make the position statement difficult to understand and ineffective.	The position statement is understandable, but factors such as wordiness or poor grammar make the statement less effective.	The position statement includes good grammar and an effective writing style to clearly and succinctly communicate ideas.

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