

Example of Student Response - Grade 7 FSA Long Writing: Informal Essay

Score	Comments
4	<p>The writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- is expressive and interesting- language is varied with some precision- ideas are developed with insight and originality- has strong form; clear, aware of audience

Written Work

"Making the Most of Your Grade Seven Year"

Remember to double-space your writing.

Grade seven is an exciting and refreshing grade.

It allows you to start over and become who you want to be. Although it is amazing being in a new environment, there are a couple things that you should keep in mind. Things that will let you make the most of your grade seven year.

To begin with, I think a good point to keep in mind is to stay healthy. Even though it may seem that EVERYONE is bringing money for the vending machines, remind yourself how bad most of the

"food" that's in the machines is ~~not good~~ for growing children. Pop, chips and chocolate. That's all the machine gives. Why not try an apple, or crackers? Also, gym class gets a lot ~~the~~ tougher in middle school. Staying fit and eating right will definitely help you through the year. Kids act different in middle school. They start using drugs, and cigarettes to help get rid of their sad thoughts. What they don't know is that they are really just killing themselves. Staying away from those kinds of things would be a good idea.

Second, staying on task is VERY important. It

starts to seem that your social life is more important than school, but it isn't. It's hard to admit, but it's true. You will start to get more interested in new friends, older kids and popularity. It really seems like everyone has a boyfriend except for you. That is NOT true. Even if it was, why would it matter? The truth of the matter is that you should come to school to learn, not to gossip. Falling behind is really easy and so staying on task is also really important.

Lastly, have fun! School is about learning, and experiences. But what's the point if you don't

have a little fun along the way!?! A good way to have fun is to go to the school dances, get involved with "Spirit Assemblies" and try to meet new friends. The dances are truly amazing, and assemblies always gets you pumped up! Enjoy yourself. Don't be a party pooper.

Finally, the last thing I can tell you, is that although middle school might start looking like a threat, it's your friend and it will help you mature. I hope that everyone gets the chance to experience what I have this year.



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3	<p>The writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- has a logical argument and supporting detail- form is generally correct and the task is clearly accomplished- attempts to appeal to the audience- some errors in convention but they don't interfere with the meaning

Written Work

"Making the Most of Your Grade Seven Year"

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Ecote Green middle school is the BEST
School I have ever been in. Middle schools
are way different than elementary. They are
funner and have way more activity's like
dances. You also get lockers! Middle schools
are way more strict. If you follow my
survival guide I'm sure you will do fine.

In P.E you have way more activity's
to do, such as basketball, hockey, football, lacrosse,
soccer and the best of all if your a big macho

jock or even if your really small is WRESTLING!

There are lots of P.E rules, two of them are

no hats and no gum. If your caught chewing gum

you have to scrap gum of the bleachers, so I advise

you not to bring gum to P.E. You should also bring

an extra pair of cloths, ~~if~~ you do, bring an extra lock

so your valuables dont get stolen. There are many

running activities like the beep test, five km and

the mud run.

When you get your locker keep it

clean. Trust me, its way easier to find stuff if its

clean. A new rule is you are not aloud to be

Caught with Calone in your locker or it

will be taken away. The number one rule

is No DRUGS! If your caught with drugs in your

locker you will be suspended. After you ~~lock~~
Push

your lock down check that it want open so nothing

gets stolen. DO NOT give your locker combo

out to people. Even if he/she is your best friend.

One minute you could be friends the next minute you

could be enemies. You also cant be caught with a

Weapon in your locker or you will be suspended.

At Green the teachers like you to be

Safe. To be safe just follow the rules. Try not

to get into any fights cause the consequence

will be bad. Even if you watch a fight and

don't tell any teachers you could get suspended.

Here are some rules no drugs, no weapons, no

studies in school, no vandalism, no alone at

school, no snowball fights and you can't pull the fire

alarm unless there's a fire.

Those were some ideas I wanted you to know so you do good in school and be safe.

So remember to follow the rules, listen to people's opinions about lockers, P.E, classroom and more and I'm sure you will do fine.



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2	The writing <ul style="list-style-type: none">- has 2-3 simple sentence patterns- is straightforward and direct with some detail- has an appropriate tone- is somewhat general with a weak ending

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~~This~~ This article is to help all grade
Six's to get ready for middle school.
You should always be organized
so you don't lose things. Also
keeping binder organized will help
you find things such as your pencils.
Always come prepared for class. Bring
pencils, pens, paper and your books.
Participate in class activities, these
will help alot! Such as helping you

understand better, also it can

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be fun, like in Advisory challenges.

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Asking questions is not stupid.

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Always ask questions if you don't

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~~understand~~ ^{understand} or go after ~~class~~ ^{class}

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or at break or lunch even after

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school if you don't feel comfortable

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about asking in front of class.

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You should always keep your

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locker clean, always clean out old

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lunches and old crumpled paper

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you don't need, but throw paper

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x Paper in recycling bin and not in

x garbage can. Keeping locker clean

x will help you stay ~~ed~~ organized,

x And keep your locker fresh.

x Don't skip classes, you never

x know if it might be fun and then

x the next class you wouldn't know

x what to do. Also you wouldn't

x learn anything.

x And this concludes my

x Advice for the grade six's.

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1	The writing <ul style="list-style-type: none">- is a series of loosely connected ideas- has an inappropriate formality- there are errors in convention and spelling of basic words- has grammatical errors

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If you ever make it to grade seven you will have into new challenges like volunteering and sports. Grade seven is when you learn new stuff mostly math.

The funnest thing about grade seven is that you have lots of friends. Most grade seveners go to middle school but my school lets the

grade sevens stays

If you pass grade six you will go to grade seven. The coolest thing about grade seven is that you are almost in grade eight.

By the time you are finished grade seven you should hopefully be smarter and have

learned more things ab
out math.