

PCS-CCSS Writing Rubric Grade K—Opinion

	NS (0)	Does Not Meet (1)	Almost Meets (2)	Meets (3)	Exceeds (4)
Opinion K.W.1	No evidence	Draws and narrates, but topic is not related	Draws, narrates, and/or writes at least 1 sentence or statement of opinion	Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose opinion pieces Provide topic or name of the book they are writing about State an opinion or preference about the topic or book (e.g. My favorite book is...)	Meet all expectations set forth in (3) Supply a reason for their opinion
Organization & Focus K.W.1	No evidence	Write in all directions No connection between picture and print No space evident between words/letters	Begin to write from left to right Begin to space words correctly Picture and print mostly relate (loose connections)	Write left to right, & return sweeps Space most words correctly Picture and print match (illustration reflects narrative)	Meet all expectations set forth in (3) Provide some sense of closure Form letters well and they are neatly spaced and aligned Space all words correctly
Language Conventions K.L.1 K.L.2	No evidence	Use random letters/letter-like shapes/symbols/scribbles to represent print Contain random formation of letters/letter-like shapes/symbols/scribbles	Use correct initial sounds in most words written Occasionally capitalizes first word in a sentence and the pronoun "I" Write uppercase letters randomly or within words Does not use punctuation marks	Write simple words phonetically (writes letters for <i>most</i> consonant and short-vowel sounds) Use correct initial and ending sounds in most words written Capitalize first word in a sentence and the pronoun "I" Begin to use end punctuation	Meet all expectations set forth in (3) Use end punctuation correctly Use conventional spelling for words with common spelling patterns Spell irregular and/or high-frequency words correctly

*A child may score a 3 in the "narrative" row by dictating the story. However, without a written response, they will not obtain a passing score in organization and language and conventions