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**Grade 3 Expectations**

6 Traits of Writing

**Word Choice**

* The reader can understand my piece from my use of:

\_\_\_ Spelling \_\_\_ Capitals

\_\_\_ End Marks \_\_\_ Words Sound Right

**Fluency**

* The piece is easy to read aloud.

**Word Choice**

* My words make pictures in the reader’s mind.
* I can picture the details too.

**Voice**

* The writing sounds like me.
* The words speak to the reader.

**Organization**

* My beginning grabs the reader’s attention.
* My story is written in order.
* My ending is strong.

**Ideas**

* I have a main idea.
* My writing makes sense
* I have many details

**Proficient**

**Exceeds Expectations**

**Needs Improvement**