

Student Rubric for Voice

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- This paper is so distinctive; the reader can tell at once that it's MY voice.
 - I think the reader will definitely want to share this paper aloud.
 - I LOVE this topic, and my enthusiasm will make the reader like it also.
 - I thought of the needs and interests of my audience throughout the paper.
 - The voice of this piece is perfect for my purpose.

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- This voice stands out from others. It's personal.
 - The reader might want to share this paper aloud—I would.
 - I like this topic, so a lot of energy comes through.
 - I considered my audience, and I think this voice is right.
 - The voice is just right for my purpose.

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- My voice comes through clearly in parts.
 - The reader might share moments here and there.
 - I like this topic for the most part. The writing has *some* energy.
 - I think the voice is an OK match for my audience.
 - My voice seems OK for my purpose.

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- I am not sure whether this paper sounds like me or not.
 - This paper isn't quite ready to share aloud yet.
 - I could not get too excited about this topic.
 - I was writing to get done, not writing for an audience.
 - I do not know whether this voice fits my purpose.

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- I do not think this sounds much like me.
 - This paper is NOT ready to share aloud. There isn't enough voice!
 - I did not like this topic. I think I sound a little bored or tired.
 - I just wanted it to be over. I don't care whether anyone reads this.
 - Since I am not sure what my purpose is, I don't know whether my voice fits or not.

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- I do not hear any voice in this writing.
 - Share this aloud? Not for anything!
 - This topic was so-o-o-o boring—plus I didn't know much about it!
 - Why would anyone want to read this? I don't even like it myself.
 - I do not know what my purpose for writing this is.