

Rubric for Newspaper Article (Use with Lesson 4)

Criteria	4 Excellent	3 Good	2 Satisfactory	1 Poor
Reflects a clear historical perspective	Reflects an accurate perspective from the time. Perspective is shown through choice of adjectives, quotes, and description of events and aftermath of the revolt.	Reflects an accurate perspective from the time. Perspective is shown through choice of adjectives, quotes, and description of events and aftermath of the revolt, but perspective could be clearer.	Perspective is mostly accurate. Few adjectives and descriptions to identify the perspective. Events and aftermath vaguely reflect a particular perspective, but it is harder to identify.	Perspective has multiple inaccuracies or is unclear and unable to be identified through the way the story is told.
Describes the events of the revolt accurately	The revolt is described in detail using descriptive language. The facts are accurate. 5 sentences.	The revolt is described with details, but more could be used. The facts are accurate. 5 sentences.	The revolt is described, but there are few details. The facts are mostly accurate. It may be less than 5 sentences.	The revolt is not described in any detail. There are inaccuracies in historical content. It may be less than 5 sentences.
Describes the consequences of the revolt accurately	The aftermath of the revolt is described in detail using descriptive language. The facts are accurate. 5 sentences.	The aftermath of the revolt is described with details, but more could be used. The facts are accurate. 5 sentences.	The aftermath of the revolt is described, but there are few details. The facts are mostly accurate. It may be less than 5 sentences.	The aftermath of the revolt is not described in any detail. There are inaccuracies in historical content. It may be less than 5 sentences.
Incorporates a primary source	Has at least one primary source. The primary source supports the content of the article and contributes to the author's perspective.	Has at least one primary source. The primary source for the most part supports the content of the article and contributes to the author's perspective.	Has at least one primary source. The primary source does not support well the content of the article or detracts from the author's own perspective.	Has at least one primary source, but the source does not support the content of the article and appears randomly chosen. It detracts from the author's perspective.
Grammar / Spelling	Correct grammar and spelling is used.	Grammar and spelling are mostly correct.	Multiple mistakes in grammar and spelling	So many mistakes in grammar and spelling that it is unreadable.
Works Cooperatively with partner	Actively works with partner to accomplish task. Works well, is on task, and is a contributing member.	Works with partner to accomplish task. Works well, is mostly on task, and is a contributing member with few needed cues from the teacher.	Works with partner, but is somewhat off task. His / her partner does a greater share of the work.	Is off task and contributes little to nothing to the group.