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“A Year in My Life” narrative poems in free verse

Topic: Using vivid imagery and figurative language, create five poems about a year or stage in your life

	Novice <i>begins to approach expectations</i>	Apprentice <i>approaches expectations</i>	Proficient <i>meets expectations</i>	Distinguished <i>exceeds expectations</i>
<p><u>Turn-in Checklist</u> <i>(stapled in this order)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rubric - Cover sheet - Final draft - Peer editing sheet - Rough draft - Mini-organizer 			<p>_____ Submitted on time with all required materials</p> <p>_____ Uses peer and teacher feedback to improve first draft</p> <p><u>Content</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Attractive, illustrated cover <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Includes at least five poems <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Successfully and engagingly describes a stage of life <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Author shows clear change/reaction over the course of the poems <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Poems are written in various moods <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Poems effectively convey author’s emotions <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Creative and interesting <p><u>Organization and Form</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Written in the first person <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Each poem has an original title <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Effectively uses interesting figurative language throughout the poems <input type="checkbox"/> 4. Uses vivid sensory language <input type="checkbox"/> 5. Language is rich yet also sparse – uses as few words as necessary <input type="checkbox"/> 6. Chronology of events is clear <input type="checkbox"/> 7. Logically organized <input type="checkbox"/> 8. Effectively uses verse <p><u>Mechanics</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 1. Spelling and grammar are accurate <input type="checkbox"/> 2. Presentation is neat <input type="checkbox"/> 3. Poems are clearly written in verse 	