Rubric for "Great Kapok Tree" Writing Assignment

Criteria	Score 4	Score 3	Score 2	Score 1
Development	Most events and	Some events	Few events and	No events or
	ideas are well	and ideas are	ideas are	ideas are
	developed and	not thoroughly	developed and	developed and
	responds fully	developed and	does not fully	does not
	to prompt.	responds to	respond to	respond to
		prompt.	prompt.	prompt.
Organization	Essay has a	Essay has a	Essay is missing	Essay is
	clear beginning,	clear beginning,	the beginning,	incomplete or
	middle and end.	middle and end,	middle or end	unclear.
	Writing is	but one area is	and has minimal	
	coherent.	not fully	coherence.	
		developed.		
Vocabulary	Contains	Contains some	Contains little	Contains no
	descriptive	descriptive	descriptive	descriptive
	language and	language and	language and	language and
	specific words	specific words	specific words	uses general
	and phrases;	and phrases;	and phrases; not	words; not
	enjoyable to	enjoyable to	enjoyable to	enjoyable to
	read	read	read	read
Mechanics	Contains proper	Contains some	Contains many	Errors interfere
	usage, correct	improper usage,	improper	with
	spelling,	spelling,	usages, spelling	understanding
	punctuation and	punctuation and	punctuation and	the message
	capitalization.	capitalization	capitalization	
		errors.	errors.	