

NCATE #6 Case Study

Levels/Criteria	Novice - 69% or less	Developing - 70-79%	Proficient-80-89%	Exemplary90-100%	Score/Level
Writing Content	<p>The content lacks a clear point of view and logical sequence of information.</p> <p>Includes no correctly used language or terms from the textbook. Understanding of the physical, social, emotional, cognitive, and linguistic developmental characteristics of children and young adolescents is lacking. The role of social and cultural factors in development is not discussed.</p>	<p>The content reflects a fairly logical progression of ideas</p> <p>Information included reflects supportive use of language and terms from the textbook. Adequate understanding of the physical, social, emotional, cognitive, and linguistic developmental characteristics of children and young adolescents is demonstrated. The role of social and cultural factors in development is discussed.</p>	<p>The content is vague in conveying a point of view and does not create a strong sense of purpose.</p> <p>Includes only a few correctly used terms from the textbook. The paper reflects only a minimal understanding of the physical, social, emotional, cognitive, and linguistic developmental characteristics of children and young adolescents. The role of social and cultural factors in development is mentioned briefly.</p>	<p>The content is written clearly and concisely, with a very logical progression of ideas.</p> <p>Includes abundant supporting information that is accurate and reflects language and terms used correctly from the textbook. A clear knowledge of the physical, social, emotional, cognitive, and linguistic developmental characteristics of children and young adolescents is evident. The role of social and cultural factors in development is discussed fully.</p>	
Writing Mechanics	<p>Errors in spelling, capitalization, punctuation, usage, and grammar repeatedly distract the reader and major editing and revision is needed. Format of the document is not</p>	<p>Spelling, punctuation, and grammar errors distract or impair readability. There are frequent errors in APA format.</p>	<p>The paper is clearly written with little or no editing required for grammar, punctuation, and spelling. APA format is used with minor errors</p>	<p>The paper is written with no errors in grammar, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling. APA format is used accurately and consistently in the paper and on the "References"</p>	

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	recognizable as APA.			page.	
Writing Style	Style reads like a casual chat with friends.	Style of paper is loose, rather than a smart, academic paper.	Style of paper is clear, clean, and readable. It sounds intelligent.	The style of the paper is artful. Obviously paid attention to what is said as well as how it is said.	
