

Vignette Checklist

- the title is interesting and tied to the theme or key ideas
- clear theme
- a symbol strengthens the theme
- the emotions and thoughts of the main character are clear
- the conclusion links back to the theme and/or lead
- descriptive and sensory language shows, not just tells
- language is fresh and creative (original thinking)
- displays an empathy for the character's life situations and points of view
- sentences vary in length and structure
- there is an attempt to use literary devices
- grammar is correct, and most particularly around the issues on the student's personal writing goals
- verbs are active and attempts have been made to pick specific verbs
- spelling, punctuation, and capitalization is conventional, or when breaking general rules it's for a specific effect