

Creative Writing - Suspense/Horror

Name: _____

		Level			
		1	2	3	4
Organization	Paper does not have a lead.	The lead and conclusion are there, but they need to be livelier	The lead is catchy and the conclusion fits the topic	The middle of the story keeps me asking questions and making guesses about what comes next	
	The lack of rising action doesn't maintain the reader's attention	The action is rising most of the time but doesn't maintain the reader's attention	The action is consistently rising and maintaining the reader's attention	The action is consistently rising and maintaining the reader's attention	
	Just started writing	Some planning evident, but not revised	Grabs the reader's attention	It's easy to see how things are connected	
Word Choice	Verbs and adjectives are not powerful	A few verbs and adjectives are powerful	Verbs and adjectives are strong and really explain what is being expressed	Verbs and adjectives are powerful	
	Did not make the reader see, hear, touch, taste or smell	Helped the reader to see, hear, touch, taste or smell; but had trouble doing it	Helped the reader to see, hear, touch, taste or smell; which added to the mood	Helped the reader to see, hear, touch, taste or smell; making the mood of the writing self evident	
	Repeated the same word over and over	Writing is mostly clear and to the point	Writing is clear and to the point	Removed the unnecessary words	
Voice	not a third person/past	third person past tense some of the time	third person past tense most of the time	third person past tense all of the time	