| Opinion Writing Checklist | | | | |
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| | Grade 1 | NOT YET | STARTING TO | YES! |
| | Structure | | | |
| Overall | I wrote my opinion or my likes and dislikes and said why. | | | |
| Lead | I wrote a beginning in which I got readers' attention. I named the topic or text I was writing about and gave my opinion. | | | |
| Transitions | I said more about my opinion and used words such as and and because. | | | |
| Ending | I wrote an ending for my piece. | | | |
| Organization | I wrote a part where I got readers' attention and a part where I said more. | | | |
| | Development | | | |
| Elaboration | I wrote at least one reason for my opinion. | | | |
| Craft | I used labels and words to give details. | | | |
| | Language Conventions | | | |
| Spelling | I used all I knew about words and chunks of words (<i>at</i> , <i>op</i> , <i>it</i> , etc.) to help me spell. I spelled all the word wall words right and used the word wall to help me spell other words. | | | |
| Punctuation | I ended sentences with punctuation. I used a capital letter for names. | | | |

Name: _____

Date: _____

I used commas in dates and lists.