

Name: _____

Date: _____

Opinion Writing Checklist

	Kindergarten	NOT YET	STARTING TO	YES!
	Structure			
Overall	I told, drew, and wrote my opinion or likes and dislikes about a topic or book.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lead	I wrote my opinion in the beginning.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transitions	I wrote my idea and then said more. I used words such as <i>because</i> .	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ending	I had a last part or page.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Organization	I told my opinion in one place and in another place I said why.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Development			
Elaboration	I put everything I thought about the topic (or book) on the page.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Craft	I had details in pictures and words.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Language Conventions			
Spelling	I could read my writing. I wrote a letter for the sounds I heard. I used the word wall to help me spell.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Punctuation	I put spaces between words. I used lowercase letters unless capitals were needed. I wrote capital letters to start every sentence.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>