4-H Essay Contest Rubric

A rubric for judges of a 4-H essay contest to score ideas, organization, evidence, writing quality, and adherence to the prompt. Print it, complete each field clearly, and return it to the person in charge.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

Author name and entry number _____

Prompt or class _____

Main ideas and focus _____

Organization and flow _____

Evidence and examples _____

Grammar and style _____

Follows rules and format _____

Judge comments _____

NOTES / CALCULATIONS

TIP Remove author names from entries before judging for fairness, and give judges the rubric ahead of time.