



### Penmanship/Handwriting Rubric

Quality Feature	#1 (Needs Work)	#2 (Pretty Good)	#3 (Good job)	#4 (Terrific!)
On the line?	Many letters over or under the line	No more than four letters per sentence over or under line	Less than two letters per sentence over or under line	All letters are on the line
Good form?	Letters are not formed correctly in most words	No more than four letters per sentence are incorrect	Less than two letters per sentence are incorrectly formed	All letters are correctly formed
Even spacing? (Consider two categories — words & letters)	Uneven spacing between letters and most words	No more than four examples of uneven spacing between letters or words	No more than two examples of uneven spacing between letters or words	Even spacing between letters and words
Even slant?	Letters slant to the left, to the right, or go up and down	Letters show slant in one consistent direction at least 75% of the time	Letters show slant in one consistent direction at least 90% of the time	All letters and words show consistent slant in one direction
Neat?	Many erasures, cross outs, and work unevenly sprawled all over the paper	Work is generally aligned within margins, and fewer than five erasures or cross outs	Work is all within margins, and there are fewer than two cross outs or erasures	Work demonstrates all of the above qualities and has no erasures nor cross outs

#### Scoring for Penmanship Rubric

*(Circle the level of quality):*

On the line 1 2 3 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Good form 1 2 3 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Spacing 1 2 3 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Slant 1 2 3 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
Neat 1 2 3 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
**MODE** \_\_\_\_\_