**Writer’s Craft**

**Original Short Story Rubric /60**

Criteria Level 1 Level 2 Level 3 Level 4

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| Narration:  “voice” and tone  quality of transitions | 5 5.5 | 6 6.5 | 7 7.5 | 8 8.5 9 9.5 10 |
| Dialogue:  realism, rhythm,  interest, avoidance of “filler”; use of slang, colloquialism | 5 5.5 | 6 6.5 | 7 7.5 | 8 8.5 9 9.5 10 |
| Characterization:  depth, complexity originality | 5 5.5 | 6 6.5 | 7 7.5 | 8 8.5 9 9.5 10 |
| Structure:  As suited to plot:  Exposition/rising action/climax/resolution  Sequence/order of events | 5 5.5 | 6 6.5 | 7 7.5 | 8 8.5 9 9.5 10 |
| Language Mechanics | Many spelling,  grammar, sent. errors  5 5.5 | Numerous spelling,  grammar errors  6 6.5 | Several errors  7 7.5 8 | Virtually Spotless!  8.5 9 9.5 10 |
| Story Impact:  Effect on reader! | Endurance Test  5 5.5 | Lukewarm  6 6.5 | Appealing  7 7.5 | Totally Engaging  8 8.5 9 9.5 10 |