

Figure 2.2: Example Side-By-Side Rubrics

Narrative Writing		Language Use (Level 1)		Narrative Writing		Language Use (Level 5)	
One story or event is well developed.	___ points	High-frequency words	___ points	One story or event is well developed.	___ points	All parts of the narrative are understandable.	___ points
The narrative includes characters or a narrator.	___ points	Pictures with words that describe them	___ points	The narrative includes characters or a narrator.	___ points	New vocabulary and expressions are used in descriptions.	___ points
The sequence of events in the story is clear.	___ points	One full sentence that uses the sentence starter	___ points	The sequence of events in the story is clear.	___ points	There are both simple and compound sentences.	___ points
Dialogue is used.	___ points	Sentence starter is spelled correctly.	___ points	Dialogue is used.	___ points	There are three or more paragraphs.	___ points
The story includes at least three well-described details about the characters’ thoughts, feelings, and actions.	___ points			The story includes at least three well-described details about the characters’ thoughts, feelings, and actions.	___ points	Correct verbs are used.	___ points
						All paragraphs begin with transitions.	___ points