

Constructed Response Example Essays

Grades 7-8

Essay scores are produced for the following grade ranges: 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, and 11-12. Thus a fifth grade essay is compared to models for both fifth and sixth grades. Constructed Responses are considered to be those of up to 250 words and are scored on a holistic rubric with 3 possible points.

***Prompt for Essays 1-3:** Read about this new idea for people not sure they are ready for a dog. Then write a summary you might present to your club. Use specific information from the text in your summary.*

Constructed Response Draft 1: Rent a Dog?

Getting a dog is a big comitment. Most people think they want a dog but don't know for sure until they get one. Some people have to got rid of a dog after they get it. FlexPetz lets peple rent a dog. Try it before they buy it.

Holistic (Total) Score: 1

Constructed Response Draft 2: Rent a Dog?

Getting a dog is a big commitment. You have to spend a lot of money and take care of it. Most people think they want a dog but don't know for sure until they get one. Some people have to got rid of a dog after they get it. FlexPetz lets people rent a dog. To try it before they buy it. The company is only open in one city but is expanding to five more.

Holistic (Total) Score: 2

Constructed Response Draft 3: Rent a Dog?

The thought of getting a dog to play wiht and love is so much fun! However, getting a dog is a big commitment. You have to spend a lot of money on things like veterinarian bills and food and have to spent time walking it and playing with it. Most people think they want a dog, but don't know for sure until they get one. Some people have to get rid of a dog after they get it because they don't want to take care of it or can't afford it. A new company, FlexPetz, solves that problem. The company allows people to rent a dog. They can make sure they want the dog before they have it for good. This is also a great way for people to see what kind of dog they might want, and if the animal will get along with kids or other pets. The dogs are even house trained, so renters don't have to worry about that! The company is only open in one city but is expanding to five more.

Holistic (Total) Score: 3