



Emerging | Exemplar Essay

The Making of a Scientist

The Scientist



Clarity and Focus

The central idea of the essay does not address the demands of the prompt. While an attempt is made to explain the life lessons the author learned from his father ("Richard Feynmans dad taught him about patterns and how there interesting"), the essay does not clearly address the task or fulfill the writing purpose.



Development

The essay does not appropriately develop or explain the central idea. It instead paraphrases details ("His father said when Richard was a baby that he would become a scientist") and offers opinions on others ("I'm kind of suprised," "Richard should thank his dad"). Opportunities for inclusion of source quotes are missed ("in the text it said that he didn't take the other kids to walk because of it").



Organization

The lack of an organizational structure makes the essay difficult to understand. There are some transitions present to help connect ideas ("when" and "in the text it said"), but they do not create a fluid progression from beginning to end. The final statement attempts to conclude the essay ("Richard learned life lessons from his dad. It changed the way his thinks apart from others"), but it does not resolve the ideas presented.



Language and Style

Overall, the language choices and sentence structures are simple. The style is too informal for the task ("I'm kind of suprised"), and distinct errors throughout interfere with meaning ("there interesting" and "the way his thinks apart from others"). A formal style is not established throughout the essay.



Using Exemplars in Your Lessons

Exemplar essays are tools to take abstract descriptions and make them more concrete for students. One way to use them is to print the clean copies of the essays and allow students to use the rubric to make notes or even find examples of important elements of an essay - thesis statements, introductions, evidence, conclusions, transitions, etc. Teachers can also use exemplars to illustrate what each score point within a trait 'looks like' in an authentic student essay. For additional ideas, please see "25 Ways to Use Exemplar Essays" by visiting the Curriculum Resources page in Help.

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In the story Richard Feynmans dad taught him about patterns and how there interesting. When Richards father was teaching him such hard subjects at a young age was so that when he gets older he can grow up and be a scientist. His father said when Richard was a baby that he would become a scientist. I'm kind of suprised that his dad taught him so many lessons. But theyve got a special bond. in the text it said that he didn't take the other kids to walk because of it. Richard should thank his dad for his hard work and support towards his son. Richard learned life lessons from his dad. It changed the way his thinks apart from others.