ELACC3W1: Write opinion pieces on topics or texts, supporting a point of view with reasons.
a. Introduce the topic or book they are writing about, state an opinion, and create an organizational structure that lists reasons.
b. Provide reasons that support the opinion.
c. Use linking words and phrases (e.g., because, therefore, since, for example) to connect opinion and reasons.
d. Provide a concluding statement or section.

Opinion Writing

Do you think Mr. Popper should have gone to Hollywood or with Admiral Drake to the North Pole? Use examples from the story to support your answer.

Grading Rubric

	Does not meet the standard requirement 0 points each	Meets the standard requirement 13 points each	Exceeds the standard requirement 16.7 points each
States an opinion	Opinion is not stated or is unclear	Opinion is stated with little attention to style	Opinion is clear and extra details are provided for interest
Uses a clear organizational structure	No clear organizational structure is used	Organizational structure improves the understanding of the writing	Organizational structure is ideal for conveying the author's opinion
Lists reasons to support the stated position	Few or no reasons are given to support the opinion	Multiple reasons are given to support the opinion	Reasons are logically thought out and explained to communicate the author's view
Uses linking words and phrases	Linking words are not used, or word choice does not make sense for the situation	Linking word choice logically connects the opinion and reason	Linking word choice logically connects the opinion and reason with added flair
Provides a concluding statement or section	No conclusion is given or conclusion is unclear	A basic concluding statement is given.	A clever concluding statement wraps up the writing.
Grammar and Syntax	Grammar and syntax is in serious need of revision because they detract from the message	Attention is given to grammar and syntax with few errors that do not detract from the message	Attention is given to grammar and syntax with no errors appearing in the writing