

# **TNREADY INFORMATIONAL RUBRIC IN 6TH GRADE LANGUAGE**

**To get a 4 in each category you must do the following:**

## **Focus and Organization:**

1. Student needs to have a distinct beginning (with a hook and a thesis), middle (where everything ties back to the thesis), and end (where the thesis is restated in a different way) that is organized (perhaps through the TIDE strategy)
2. EVERYTHING in the essay needs to refer back to the thesis
3. The end needs to have another hook and restate the thesis in a new way.

## **Development:**

1. Student should have at least one piece of well chosen text evidence PER body paragraph that develops his or her answer to the prompt.
2. EACH piece of evidence and analysis should tie back to the thesis.
3. Writing shows that student understands the prompt.

## **Language:**

1. Student utilizes sentence variety (i.e. complex, compound, semicolons, dashes etc)
2. Student uses a formal tone

## **Conventions:**

1. Punctuation is at a sixth grade level