## **Circle Plot Story Rubric**

CATEGORY	4	3	2	1
Circle Plot Organization	The story is very well organized circular story. One idea or scene follows another in a logical sequence with clear transitions, returning to the beginning point.	The story tells a circular story. One idea or scene may seem out of place, but the story does return to the beginning point. Clear transitions are used.	The story is a little hard to follow. The transitions are sometimes not clear; however, the story does begin and end in the same place.	Ideas and scenes seem to be randomly arranged. The story is not a circular story. It does not return to its beginning point.
Creativity	The story's plot focuses on a creative series of events that contributes to the reader's enjoyment. The author has really used his or her imagination.	The story's plot contains a few creative events that contribute to the reader's enjoyment. The author has used his or her imagination.	The story's plot contains a few creative events, but they distract from the story. The author has tried to use his or her imagination.	There is little evidence of creativity in the story. The author does not seem to have used much imagination.
Sentence Structure	The sentence structure uses matching or similar words, that establish a clear, consistent pattern that is maintained through the entire story.	The sentence structure uses matching or similar words, that establish a clear pattern that is maintained through the entire story.	Some sentences use matching or similar words, but the pattern is not maintained through the entire story.	Sentences do not use matching or similar words. The sentence structure distracts from the story's circular plot.
Spelling, Punctuation, and Grammar	There are no spelling, punctuation, or grammar errors in the final draft. Character and place names that the author invented are spelled consistently throughout.	There is one spelling, punctuation, or grammar error in the final draft.	There are 2-3 spelling, punctuation, or grammar errors in the final draft.	The final draft has more than 3 spelling, punctuation, or grammar errors.