**Monster Descriptive Writing**

**Sentence Variation**

\_\_\_\_Uses compound sentences

Example: My large, red, smiling mouth is shaped like a figure eight, and my two rows of sharp, point teeth are orange.

\_\_\_\_Complex Sentences

Example: Although Alfie’s red hair usually swings to the right, she sometimes parts it in the middle.

\_\_\_\_Appositive Phrase

Example: Barney, the monster who lives under my bed, snores loudly.

**Word Choice**

\_\_\_\_Verbs are vivid and lively

Weak: Alfie eats my Oreos.

Strong: Creeping into the kitchen, Alphie snatches the Oreos from the pantry and gobbles them up.

\_\_\_\_Descriptive Adjectives (wavy, red hair)

\_\_\_\_Avoidance of overused words (really, a lot, very, awesome, cool)

**Figurative Language (2 examples)**

\_\_\_\_Metaphor

Example: My teeth are sharp daggers that can bite through the toughest meat.

\_\_\_\_Simile

Example: Mona’s eyes are as black as the deepest corner of the darkest cave.

**Editing for Grammar, Usage, and Mechanics**

\_\_\_\_No run-on sentences

\_\_\_\_No sentence fragments

\_\_\_\_Subject/Verb Agreement

\_\_\_\_Capitalization and Punctuation is correct

\_\_\_\_Spelling is correct

\_\_\_\_Paragraphs are indented