In addition To start with Presents Family eat a special dinner candy visit relatives toys under the tree or in a stocking open presents together Color-coded My favorite holiday is by paragraph Christmas In conclusion Also On Christmas we open presents, get Decorations together with family, and put up Christmas tree with ornaments decorations. wreath on the door Christmas lights Caryn Camp Page 21 3/9/2003

#### Christmas

My favorite holiday is Christmas.

Color-coded by paragraph

To start with, we get presents at Christmas.

One of the presents I get is candy. Other presents
I get are toys. The presents are under the tree or

in a stocking.

In addition, we spend time with our family at Christmas. My family and I eat a special dinner. We also visit our relatives. On Christmas we open presents together.

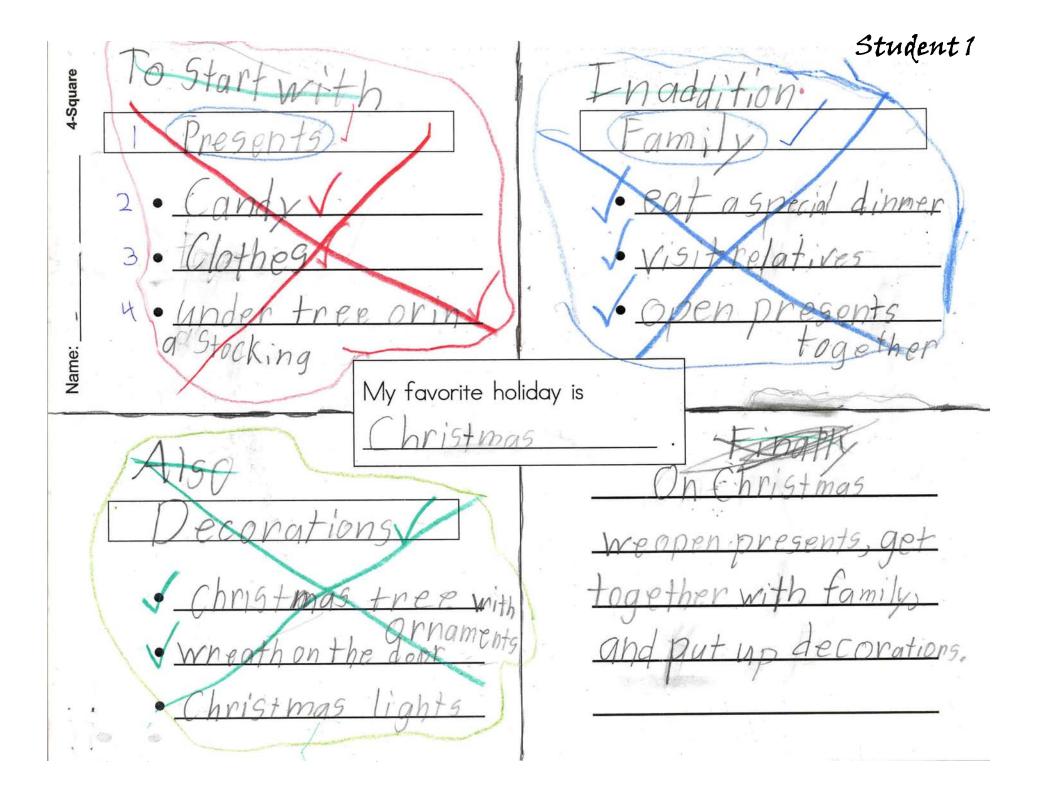
Also, my family and I put up decorations a few days before Christmas. First, we put up a Christmas tree with ornaments. Next we hang a wreath on the door. Then we hang up Christmas lights.

In conclusion, on Christmas we open presents, get together with family, and put up decorations.

## Student Examples (Grade 3)

Student	About the Student	About the Essay	Page
1	Slow worker	Notice the first draft – changed colors correctly but no indenting. Colors made it visually easier to indent for final draft.	27 – 29
2	Learning disability, poor handwriting	His first draft is the first time he has put a period at the end of every sentence. Graph paper used to help him with writing.	30 – 33
3	Learning disability	Progressed from modeling, to guiding, to student working independently. Huge confidence builder.	34 – 35
4	Learning disability, difficulty w/focusing	Modeled writing the paragraph for first square, independent after that. Concluding paragraph broken into 3 sentences.	36 – 37
5	Slow worker	Changed colors for new paragraphs, but didn't indent. The colors were a scaffolding step toward paragraphing.	38 – 40
<u>6</u>	Learning disability	Low comprehension so depends on step-by-step procedure.  Colors helped. Checking one sentence at a time helped.	41
Z	Autistic	Interesting that he did not write from a first person point of view.  Wrote about what "people" or "you" like to do on Christmas.	42 – 43
8	Average 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade level	Solid example.	44
9	Learning disability	Depends on step-by-step procedure. Checking one sentence at a time helped. Chose to personalize info in first square.	45 – 46
10	Slow worker	Solid example.	47
Ш	Average 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade level	First copy – some trouble with paragraphing, did not notice lack of periods even though complete sentences.	48 – 49
12	Poor handwriting	Used graph paper for final copy to help with handwriting.	50 – 52

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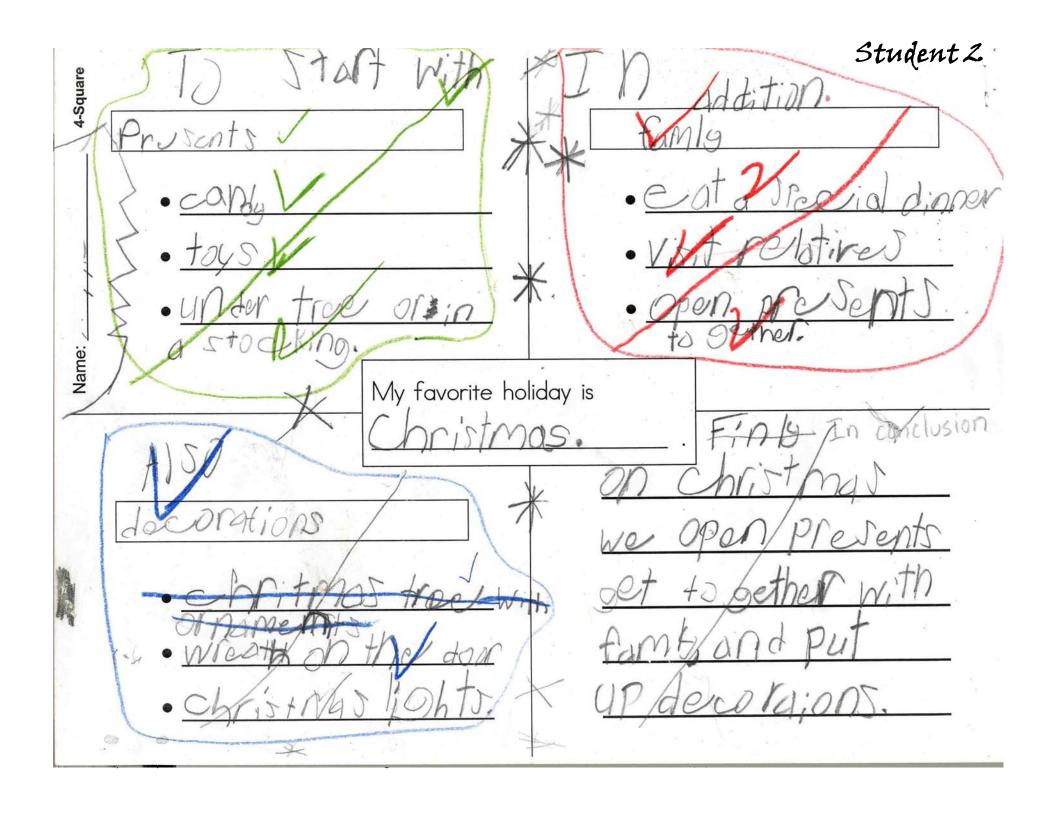
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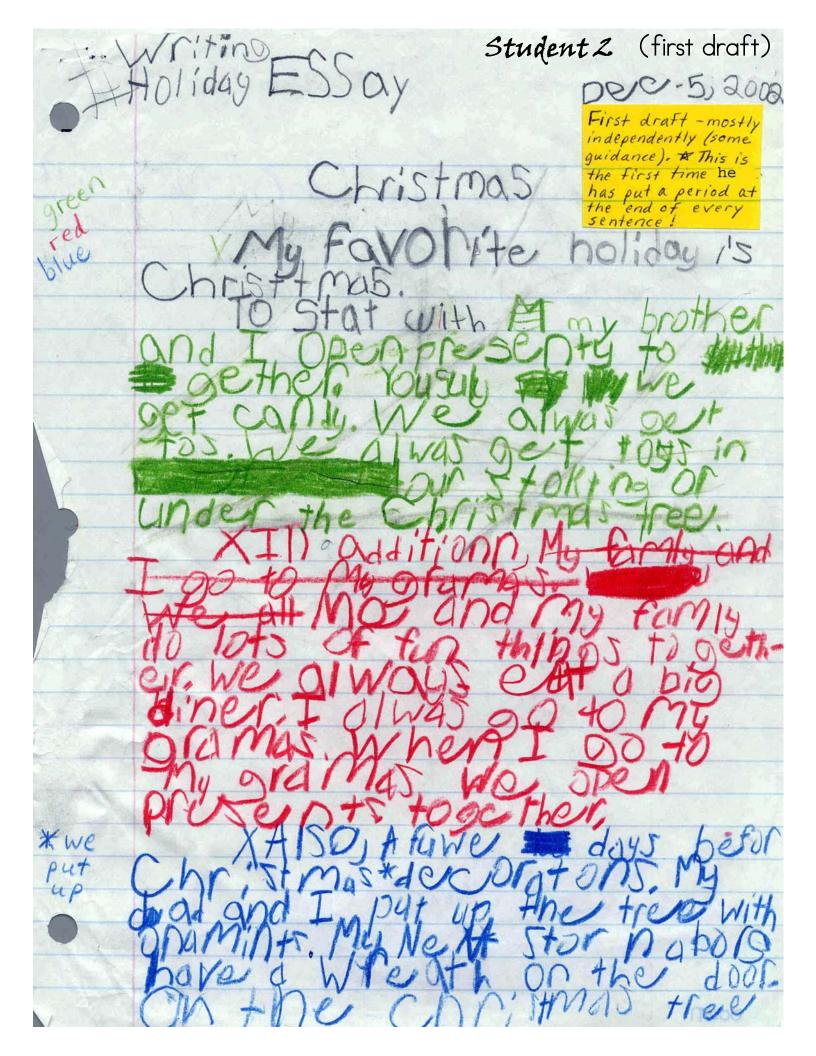
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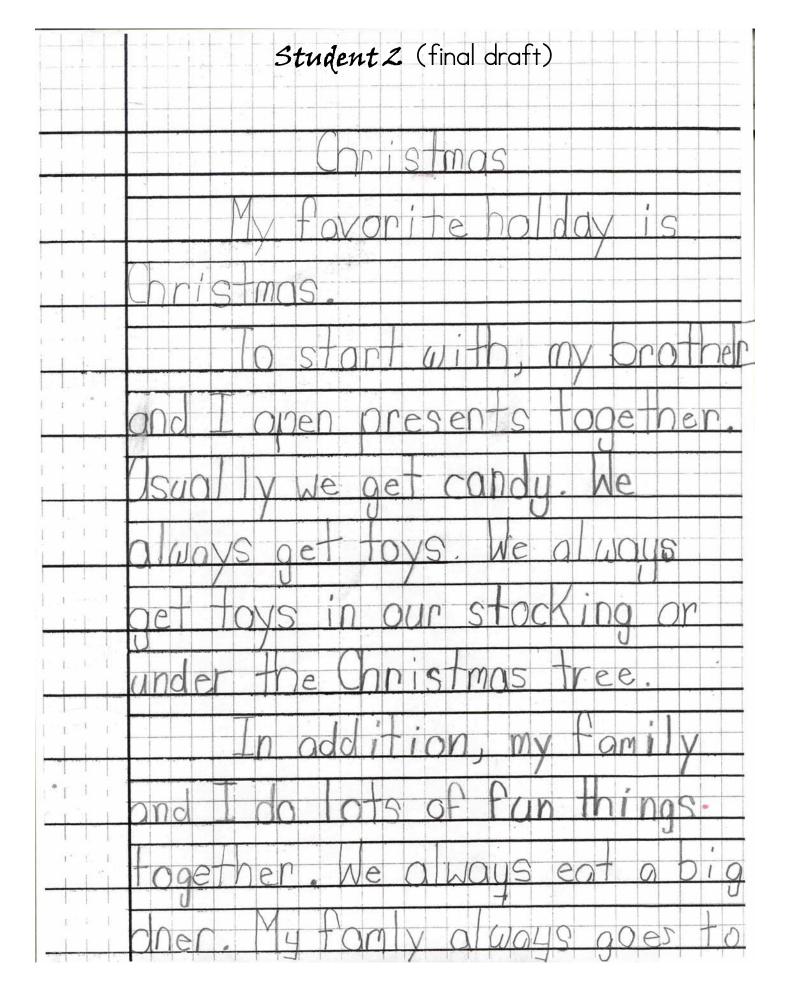
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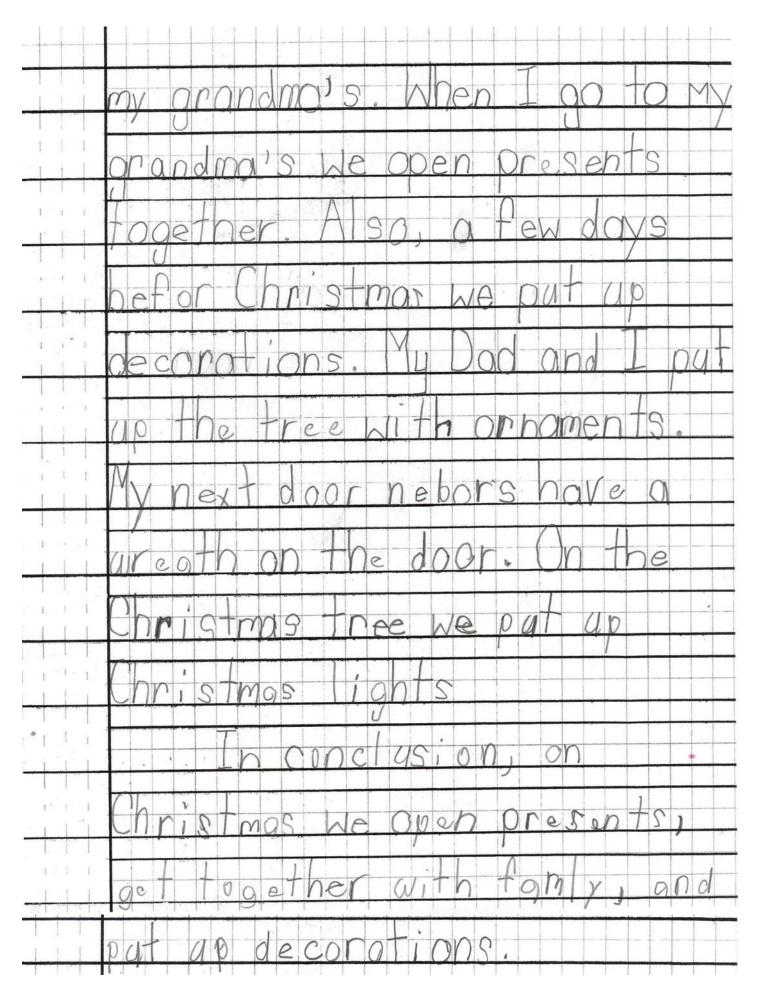
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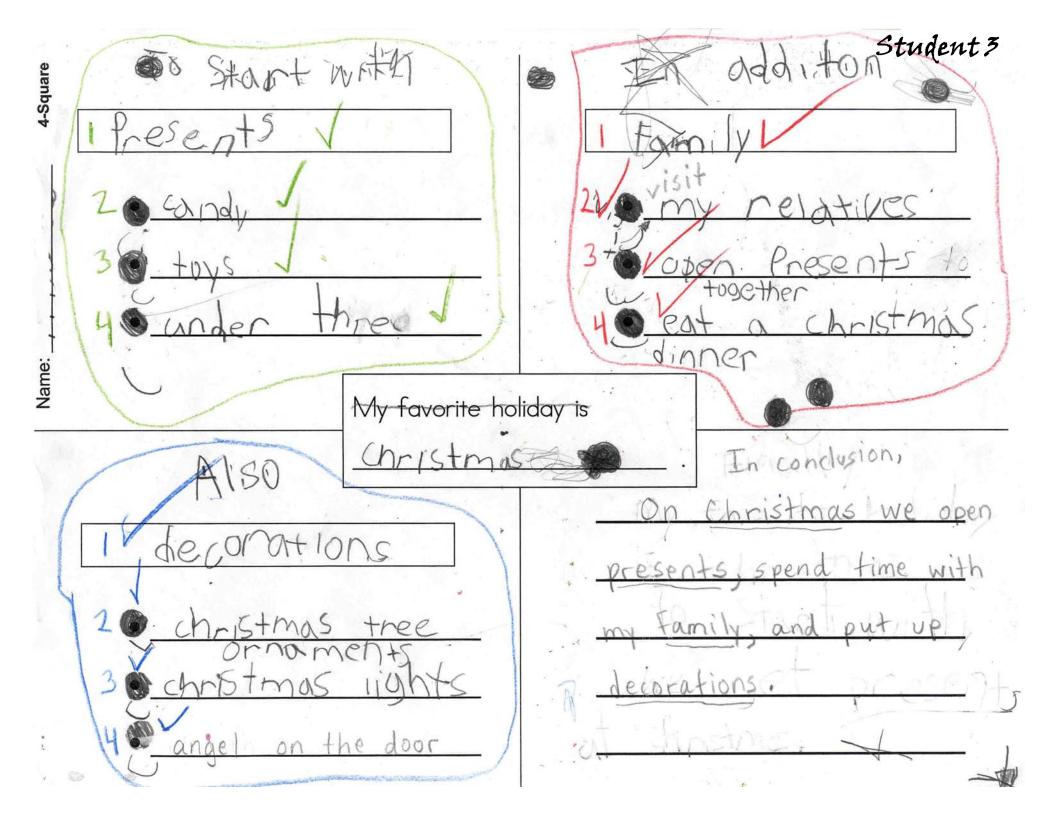
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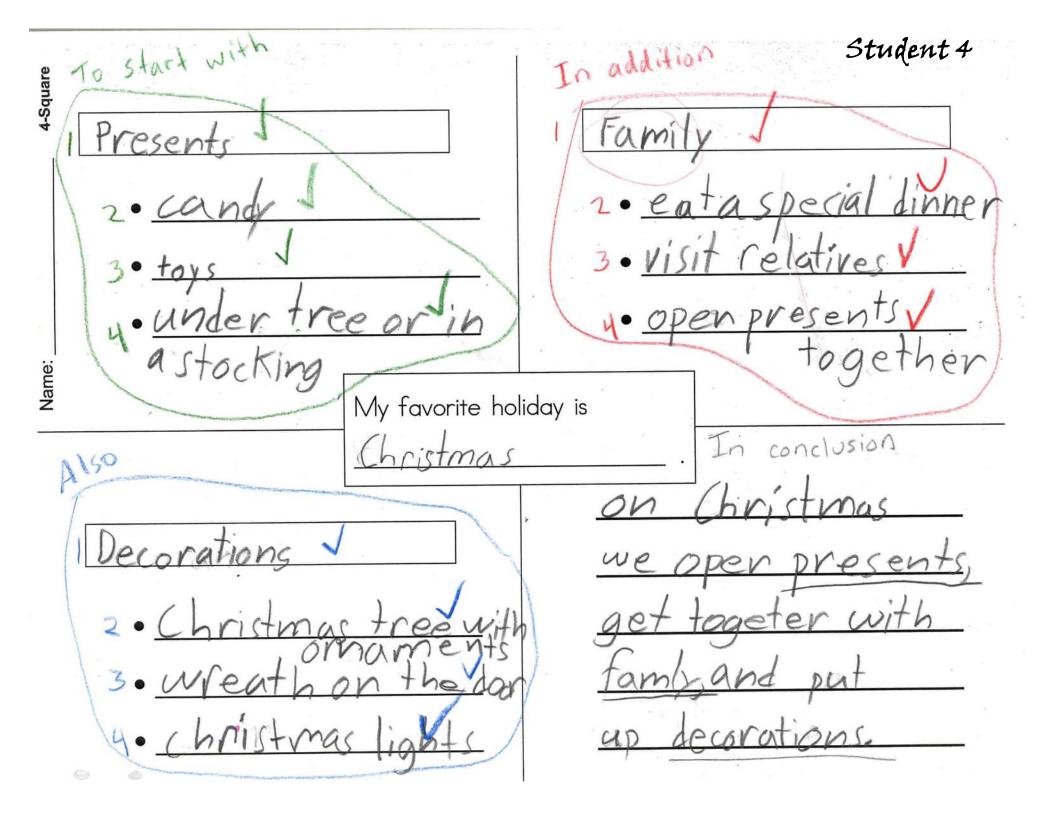




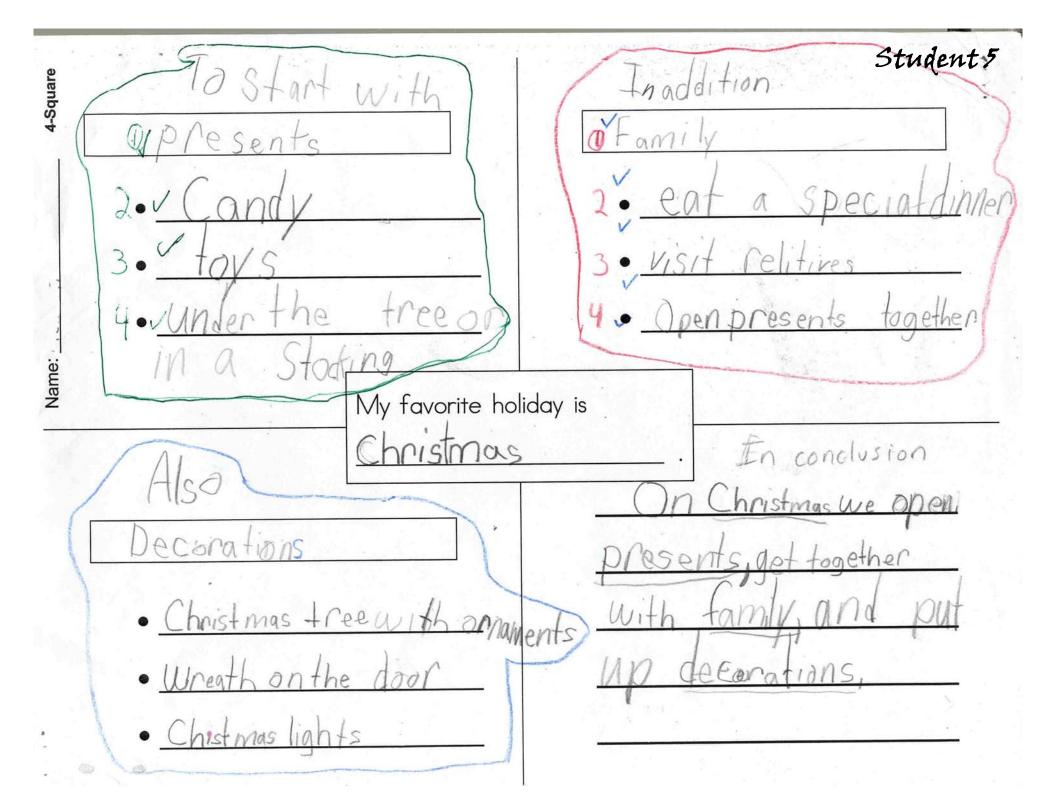




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#### Student 11 (first draft)

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