




**“The Giving Tree” Life Cycle Rubric**

CHECKLIST			
I wrote a letter from the point of view of the boy from “The Giving Tree” to the Tree with sound ideas the boy could have made.	My letter included 3 ideas on better choices the boy could have made.	My letter included 2 ideas on better choices the boy could have made.	My letter included 0-1 ideas on better choices the boy could have made.
I wrote using complete sentences and transition word ( <i>first, next, then, finally</i> ) in my book.	I had all complete sentences in my book and strong transitions that indicated clear understanding of the 4 stages.	I had some complete sentences but the transitions were not clear and therefore the stages were somewhat unclear.	I had difficulty with complete sentences or ideas that demonstrated understanding of the 4 stages.
I wrote and illustrated my 4-page book with details.	I wrote and illustrated all 4 pages of my book and included lots of detail.	I wrote and illustrated 2-3 pages of my book and included some detail.	I wrote and illustrated 0-1 pages of my book with little detail.
I completed my digital story on Little Bird Tales.	I completed my digital story with no redirection.	I completed my digital story with little redirection.	I did not complete my digital story.