

# 6+1 Trait® Condensed Scoring Guide

## Organization

The internal structure, the thread of central meaning, the logical and sometimes intriguing pattern of the ideas.

**5** *The organizational structure of this paper enhances and showcases the central idea or theme of the paper; includes a satisfying introduction and conclusion.*

- A) An inviting introduction draws the reader in; a satisfying conclusion leaves the reader with a sense of closure and resolution.
- B) Thoughtful transitions
- C) Sequencing is logical and effective
- D) Pacing is well controlled.
- E) The title, if desired, is original.
- F) Flows so smoothly, the reader hardly thinks about it

**3** *The organizational structure is strong enough to move the reader through the text without too much confusion.*

- A) The paper has a recognizable introduction and conclusion.
- B) Transitions often work well.
- C) Sequencing shows some logic, yet structure takes attention away from the content.
- D) Pacing is fairly well controlled.
- E) A title (if desired) is present.
- F) Organization sometimes supports the main point or story line.

**1** *The writing lacks a clear sense of direction.*

- A) No real lead.
- B) Connections between ideas are confusing.
- C) Sequencing needs work.
- D) Pacing feels awkward.
- E) No title is present (if requested).
- F) Problems with organization make it hard for the reader to get a grip on the main point or story line.