## VOICE RUBRIC

1 - The writer seems distanced from the topic and/or the audience. More than one of the following problems is likely to be evident:	3 - The writer seems sincere, but not truly knowledgeable. The result is earnest, but short of giving the reader the feeling the author has a deep understanding of the topic.	5 - The writer speaks directly to the reader in a way that sounds as if the writer is an expert on the topic. Clearly, the writer is involved in the text, and the writing is writing to be read.
<ul> <li>The writer does not connect with the audience or have a sense of purpose. The writing seems to written for the author alone to read.</li> <li>The writing communicates on a functional level. There is no presence of the writer on the page.</li> <li>The word choice tends to avoid any use of appropriate mathematical vocabulary.</li> <li>The writer is not yet sufficiently engaged to give the reader any understanding about the topic.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The writer seems aware of an audience but stands at a distance to avoid risk.</li> <li>The writing communicates in an earnest manner and may occasionally provide deep insight into the situation.</li> <li>The word choice reveals the writer's understanding toward the topic in some places but may not use appropriate vocabulary when needed.</li> <li>The writer establishes a connection with the reader and demonstrates some understanding of the topic; however, the writer doesn't explain the topic fully in order to give the reader a full sense of understanding; there are too many assumptions made about the reader's level of understanding.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>audience. [When reading this problem you can hear the voice of an expert.]</li> <li>The paper is honest. It has the ring of conviction. [If read aloud, it sounds like something I might really say.]</li> <li>The word choice brings understanding to the topic and clarifies the writer's knowledge about the subject. [I used vocabulary words correctly.]</li> </ul>