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Many people enjoy one season of the year more than the others. My favorite season of the year is winter. I like this season for many reasons. One of the reasons I like winter is because of my birthday is in winter. I also like the snow. Some of the things I like to do in the snow are sledding snow ball fights, snow angels, and make igloos. I like Hot chocolate when I come inside from playing in the snow. I like Christmas and New years eve. I always go christmas caroling too.

Organization/Purpose: Score 2-

- The response is somewhat sustained: it focuses on winter and what the writer likes about winter.
- The essay is only one paragraph, and it moves somewhat randomly from one general idea to another: “My birthday is in winter”; “I also like the snow”; “I like Hot chocolate.” Connections between and among ideas is unclear.
- The essay has an introductory sentence but no introductory paragraph, and it has no concluding sentence; it ends abruptly.

Evidence/Elaboration: Score 2-

- Support is weakly integrated and often vague.
- The vocabulary is vague and ineffective.
- The sentences are short and undeveloped with specific description or details.

Conventions: Score 1

- Several of the few sentences in the essay are not formed correctly: “One of the reason I like winter is because of my birthday is in winter”; “Some of the things I like to do in the snow are sledding snow ball fights, snow angels, and make igloos.”
 - Capitalization is often incorrect: capitalizing “hot” in “hot chocolate”; not capitalizing the names of holidays consistently.