Six Traits of Writing CBRT Script Developed by Teachers in a Billings, MT Summer 2007 Institute led by Rosalind Flynn

- 1: Good evening, all! Thank you for choosing the 6 Trait Convention Center of all of your writing needs. [gesture]
- 2,3: How do you do?
- 1: I will be your banquet coordinator. [sound effect]
- 2: We are her to put together a menu for our writing banquet.
- 3: We really want to start out with an appetizer that depicts our main idea.
- 2: Something that pulls together the scrumptious details that develop the theme.
- 3: It must be fresh!
- 2: It must be original!
- 1: You want a heaping plate of our steamed ideas.
- **All:** IDEAS! [sound effect] [gesture]
- 2: Then, on to the salad course, which must be organized.
- 3: It has to be logical.
- 2: It must have an effective delivery- from beginning to end.
- 2,3: And of course, be easy to follow.
- 1: So, for your second course you want organization.
- **All:** ORGANIZATION! [sound effect][gesture]
- 1: -tossed with a dressing of transitions.
- 2: Now, the main course.
- 3: The guests at our banquet are very
- 2, 3: Very emotional.
- 2: The guests are expecting an entrée which reflects their personality.
- 3: We want something that says more than is expected.
- 2: Where the point of view is the meatiest!
- 1: How about voice?
- **All:** VOICE! [sound effect][gesture]
- 1: With a side of word choice.
- 2, 3: [gesture] Word choice? What is this "word choice"?
- 1: Word choice is something new we got in fresh. It is precise and original. When it is put on the palette it puts a vivid image into the readers' minds!

- **All:** WORD CHOICE! [sound effect][gesture] Vivid image in the readers' minds!
- 1: And for the dessert, ladies may we suggest a way to bring the entire meal together. It will create the rhythm and the flow.
- 2: Will the rhythm and the flow of the delivery be evident?
- 1: But of course! It will play to the ear, not just the eyes.
- 2: Baked fresh this morning, with a hint of complex and compound sentences. You will love sentence fluency for dessert.
- All: SENTENCE FLUENCY [sound effect][gesture]
- 2: To make the evening perfect, we need an after dinner toddy.
- 3: We want to make sure all of our words are spelled correctly.
- 2: Mmmm...hhmmm. Spelled correctly.
- 1: May I suggest you include capitals and punctuation?
- 2: And control over grammar.
- 1: Then you need our world famous conventions hot toddy!
- **All:** CONVENTIONS [sound effect][gesture] complete the entire meal!
- 1: Great! Let's go over your final menu.
- 2, 3: Appetizers?
- 1: We have ideas.
- **All:** IDEAS! [sound effect][gesture]
- 2: Salad?
- 1: There's organization.
- **All:** ORGANIZATION [sound effect][gesture]
- 2, 3: Entrée
- 1: We have voice with a side of word choice.
- All: VOICE [sound effect][gesture] WORD CHOICE [sound effect][gesture]
- 2, 3: For dessert?
- 1: Sentence fluency.
- All: SENTENCE FLUENCY! [sound effect][gesture]
- 1: And, the crème de la crème- Conventions!
- All: CONVENTIONS! [ding]
- 2, 3: For the perfect 6 trait banquet! [gesture]
- **All:** The perfect 6 trait banquet! [gesture]