

APPENDIX 2

CRIJ 5340

SCHOLARLY BOOK REVIEW ASSIGNMENT RUBRIC

All work will be submitted to *Safe*. If a book review essay has been plagiarized in any way, it will not be graded and will be assigned a "zero." Also, a student needs to cite at least five peer-reviewed journal articles and include these in the references

	0-69	70-89	90-100	POINTS
Content & Development 50 pts	Poor - Content is incomplete. - Major points are not clear.	Fair - Content is not comprehensive and /or persuasive. - Major points are addressed, but not well supported. - Book review does not address course concepts. - Content is inconsistent with regard to purpose and clarity of thought.	Good - Content is comprehensive, accurate, and persuasive. - Major points are stated clearly and are well supported. - Book review is adequate, timely and addresses course concepts. - Content and purpose of the writing are clear.	
Organization & Structure 20 pts	Poor - Organization and structure detract from the message of the writer. - Paragraph is disjointed and lack transition of thoughts.	Fair - Structure of the paragraph is not easy to follow. - Paragraph transitions need improvement.	Good - Structure of the paragraph is clear and easy to follow.	
Format 10 pts	Poor - Paper lacks many elements of correct formatting. - Paragraph is inadequate. Articles not cited properly and/or student does not cite at least 5 articles.	Fair - Paper follows most guidelines. - Paper is under word length. - Articles not cited properly as per the APA style; articles that are cited are not timely and relevant.	Good - Paper follows designated guidelines. - Paper is the appropriate length as described for the assignment. 5 appropriate peer-reviewed journal articles are cited throughout the review.	
Grammar, Punctuation & Spelling 20 pts	Poor - Paper contains numerous grammatical, punctuation, and spelling errors. - Language uses jargon or conversational tone; use of contractions and first person.	Fair - Paper contains some grammatical, punctuation and spelling errors. - Language lacks clarity or includes the use of some jargon or conversational tone, use of contractions and first person.	Good - Rules of grammar, usage, and punctuation are followed; spelling is correct. - Language is clear and precise; sentences display consistently strong, varied structure.	
TOTAL POINTS				

Reminder: Please do not quote any sources verbatim for such a short assignment. Instead, paraphrase in your own words and cite the source. There is no need to cite the book you are reviewing. Just attribute the point to the author/s or the book. As long as it is apparent that you are crediting the book, this will be sufficient. Please do not provide a long bio of the author, unless you are providing something that is beyond what is merely written on the back of the book.