

Research Paper Rubric

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Criteria	Ratings					Pts	
Abstract	Clearly and concisely summarize your evaluation, the purpose of the evaluation, the method(s) used for evaluation, discussion and conclusion are clearly stated. 25 pts		The purpose, methods, and discussion and conclusion stated. 15 pts	Incomplete and/or unfocused. 10-5 pts		Absent, no evidence 0 pts	25 pts
Organization	The ideas are arranged logically to support the purpose or argument. They flow smoothly from one to another and are clearly linked to each other. The reader can follow the line of reasoning. 25 pts	The ideas are arranged logically to support the central purpose or argument. They are usually clearly linked to each other. For the most part, the reader can follow the line of reasoning. 20-15 pts	In general, the writing is arranged logically, although occasionally ideas fail to make sense together. The reader is fairly clear about what writer intends. 10 pts	The writing is not logically organized. Frequently, ideas fail to make sense together. The reader cannot identify a line of reasoning and loses interest. 5 pts	Totally disorganized. Reader is unable to follow a line of reasoning 0 pts		25 pts
Content (see the assignment's instruction for more detail)	Balanced presentation of relevant and legitimate information that clearly supports a central purpose or argument and shows a thoughtful, in-depth analysis of a significant topic. The HER components and factors are clearly mentioned. Methods to measure evaluation, and benchmarks for the evaluation are concrete and specified in both phases. Reader gains important insights. 75-65 pts	Information provides reasonable support for a central purpose or argument and displays evidence of a basic analysis of a significant topic. The HER components and factors mentioned. Methods to measure evaluation, and benchmarks for the evaluation specified. Reader gains some insights. 65-45 pts	Information supports a central purpose or argument at times. The HER components and factors are basic or general. Reader gains few insights. 45-5 pts				75 pts
Tone	The tone is consistently professional and appropriate for an academic research paper. 25 pts	The tone is generally professional. For the most part, it is appropriate for an academic research paper. 20-15 pts	The tone is not consistent-ly professional or appropriate for an academic research paper. 10 pts	The tone is unprofessional. It is not appropriate for an academic research paper. 5 pts	No Marks 0 pts		25 pts
Plagiarism, grammar, Spelling, Writing Mechanics (punctuation, italics, capitalization, etc.	The writing is free or almost free of errors. 25 pts	There are occasional errors, but they don't represent a major distraction or obscure meaning. 20-15 pts	The writing has many errors, and the reader is distracted by them. 10 pts	There are so many errors that meaning is obscured. The reader is confused and stops reading. 5 pts		No Marks 0 pts	25 pts
Use of References	Compelling evidence from professionally legitimate sources is given to support claims. Attribution is clear and fairly represented. Proper citation is evident. 25 pts	Professionally legitimate sources that support claims are generally present and attribution is, for the most part, clear and fairly represented. Proper citation is evident. 20 pts	Although attributions are occasionally given, many statements seem unsubstantiated. The reader is confused about the source of information and ideas. Proper citation is evident. 15 pts	References are seldom cited to support statements. Proper citation is evident. 10 pts	References are cited to support statements, but are not properly cited. 5 pts	No references cited 0 pts	25 pts
Total Points: 200							