Research Report

Due: November 25, 2020 by 11:59 pm

Points: 250 **Word** Count: 2,000

Objectives:

- Develop a more thorough understanding of research writing.
- Enable a reader to review your report and develop an informed decision.
- To present a scholarly and balanced review of the literature on your chosen topic.

Assignment:

- Using the science-related topic you selected for your Letter to the Editor assignment, write a report that explores the purpose and objectives you identified. Using research information on this topic, you will construct a report to inform an individual about the main issues or major points related to your topic.

Note: *Your sources need to be credible (i.e., journal articles, books, newspapers, .org, .gov, and .edu sites) in nature and not from a random .com site. All research must be cited using APA citation rules.*

Content:

- Must have the following sections in order:
  1. Title page
  2. Abstract
  3. Table of Contents
  4. Introduction
  5. Literature Review
  6. Purpose statement
  7. Objectives
  8. Discussion
  9. Recommendations
  10. References
- Must include a **minimum of 10 scholarly sources (Maximum of 3 News or other media related sources)**

Note: *You may use visuals, as noted in the formatting guidelines, if it contributes or enhances the understanding of your report.*

Formatting:

- Must follow the research report formatting guidelines (separate document)
- References follow APA formatting guidelines

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Item	Poor	Satisfactory	Good	Excellent	Pts. Available	Pts. Earned
Formatting	Report guided away from formatting guidelines and had many issues. **(0-20 points)**	Report mostly followed formatting guidelines and had several issues. **(21- 26points)**		Report followed formatting guidelines and had minimal issues. **(27-30 points)**	30	
Writing	Document had many grammatical/ mechanical errors. **(0-29 points)**	Document had multiple grammatical/ mechanical errors. **(30 -39 points)**	Document had few grammatical/ mechanical errors. **(40-45 points)**	Document had minimal grammatical/ mechanical errors. (**46-50 points)**	50	
Content	Document was missing many required elements. **(0-50 points)**	Document was missing multiple required elements. **(51-69 points)**	Document was missing few required elements. **(70-89 points)**	Document included all required elements. **(90-100 points)**	100	
In-Text Citations	Report had many in-text citation errors. **(0-20 points)**	Report had multiple in-text citation errors **(21-23 points)**	Report had few in-text citation errors. **(24-26 points)**	Report had minimal in-text citation errors. **(27-30 points)**	30	
References	Four or less credible sources were used. **(0-9 points)**	Five to Seven credible sources were used. **(10-13 points)**		Eight or more credible sources were used. **(14-15 points)**	15	
APA Reference Formatting	Many APA style errors. **(0-17 points)**	Multiple APA style errors. **(18-19 points)**	Few APA style errors. **(20-22 points)**	Minimal APA style errors. **(23-25 points)**	25	
Total Points					250	
Deductions (-10% each day, -10% for incorrect file name)						
Word count 10% +/-						
Total Points Earned						

Peer Review: 11/16/20