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## **Research Report Portfolio Rubric**

**Directions**: Use the rubric below as a guide for writing and revising your research report.

Criteria (Weight)	Excellent (4)	Good (3)	Fair (2)	Poor (1)	Points Awarded
	A topic sentence clearly identifies a focused topic and strong central idea. The introduction effectively captures and holds readers' interest.	A topic sentence identifies the topic and central idea. The introduction engages readers' interest.	The topic sentence is unfocused or irrelevant and presents a weak central idea.  It does so in a way that lacks interest.	No clear topic or central idea are stated.  The writing does not engage readers.	
of Ideas Within Body Paragraphs	Each main idea within a paragraph is <b>clearly</b> stated and relates to the topic.  Details from research are <b>logically</b> ordered.  Linking words signal <b>strong</b> connections between ideas and research.	Each main idea is identified and relevant to the topic.  Most details from research are well organized.  Ideas and research are mostly connected with linking words.	Main ideas are unclear, and not all are relevant to the topic.  Some research details are ordered illogically or placed in the wrong paragraph.  Few linking words connect the ideas and research.	Paragraphs are unfocused with no clear main idea.  The organization of research details is unclear.  Few to no links between ideas and research are signaled.	
Use of Research/ Conclusion	Relevant and credible research from varied sources clearly develops the writer's central idea. The conclusion thoroughly sums up the ideas and research and	Research from several sources is mostly relevant and credibly develops ideas.  The conclusion sums up the main ideas and leaves readers thinking about the topic.	Some research is used to develop ideas; it is not always relevant or credible.  The conclusion includes some ideas about the topic. It does not encourage reflection.	Little research is used, and what is there is mostly irrelevant.  The conclusion does not restate the main ideas or tell about the topic.	

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Language,	Varied precise language	Precise language and	Precise language and	Few examples of	
Grammar,	and domain-specific	domain-specific terms	domain-specific terms	precise language or	
Punctuation,	terms effectively clarify	are used to clarify	are used infrequently or	domain-specific	
Capitalization,	ideas and are <b>clearly</b>	ideas.	not clearly explained.	terms are evident.	
and Spelling	explained.	Grammar, punctuation,	There are some errors	There are many	
	Grammar, punctuation,	capitalization, and	in grammar,	grammar,	
	capitalization, and	spelling are mostly	punctuation,	punctuation,	
	spelling are correct.	correct.	capitalization, and	capitalization, and	
			spelling.	spelling errors.	

sources is included. All citations are formatted correctly.  Visuals and audio strongly support the main ideas.  Presentation clearly shares information about the topic in an engaging manner.  Writing is skillfully published in a clear and understandable format.  Sources is included. Most citations are formatted correctly.  Most citations are formatted incorrectly.  Visuals and audio those present are formatted incorrectly.  Visuals and audio are limited and support the main ideas.  Presentation shares information about the topic in an engaging manner.  Writing is skillfully published in a clear and understandable format.  Sources is included.  Most citations are formatted incorrectly.  Visuals and audio are limited and support the topic inconsistently.  Presentation shared by presentation is difficult to follow.  Published writing is some sources, and those present are formatted incorrectly.  Visuals and audio are limited and support the topic inconsistently.  Presentation shared by presentation is difficult to follow.  Published writing is some sources, and those present are formatted incorrectly.  Visuals and audio are limited and support the topic inconsistently.  Presentation shared by presentation is difficult to follow.  Published writing is some sources, and those present are formatted incorrectly.  Visuals and audio are limited and support the topic inconsistently.  Presentation shared by presentation is difficult to follow.  Published writing is some sources, and those present are formatted incorrectly.  Visuals and audio are limited and support the topic inconsistently.  Presentation shared by presentation is difficult to follow.  Published writing is unformatted and difficult to follow.  Published writing is unformatted incorrectly.
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**O points:** No evidence of ability to demonstrate targeted skill.

Total points: /20

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