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| **Research Paper Rubric** | | | | | |
| **Criteria** | **4** | **3** | **2** | **1-0** | **Points and Comments** |
| **Content** | ~ The paper has a specific purpose and the topic is concise and clear. ~ The research articles are engaging, and they contribute to the paper's thesis. ~ The ideas are well-developed. | ~ Understanding of the topic is demonstrated in the paper.  ~ The research articles are well reviewed and contribute to the paper's thesis. ~ The ideas are developed. | ~ The content of the paper shows some understanding and comprehension of the topic. ~ Most of the articles relate to the paper's topic, but loosely contribute.  ~ A thesis is somewhat presented. | ~ Each paragraph fails to develop an idea. ~ The paper has few of supporting details. ~ There is no thesis. ~ The research articles do not relate to the topic. |  |
| **Organization** | ~ The paper is logical, has a cohesive sequence, and is structured effectively. ~ It flows easily from paragraph to paragraph. ~ No errors in spelling or grammar. ~ There is an introduction, body, and conclusion. | ~ The paper is presented in a logical sequence which can be followed fairly easily. ~ A couple of spelling and grammatical errors. ~ There is an introduction, body, and conclusion. | ~ The paper's structure is somewhat difficult to follow but the general idea is understood. ~ Many spelling and grammatical errors. ~ The introduction or conclusion is missing. | ~ The paper is not cohesive and goes back and forth between sentences/paragraphs with no tying transitions. ~ The paper is full of typos, and spelling and grammatical errors. ~ The introduction and conclusion is missing. |  |
| **Cited Works** | ~ More than 10 research articles are reviewed and relate and contribute to the chosen topic. ~ Other works are correctly cited. ~ The paper is 10 pages. | ~ 10 research articles are reviewed and relate to your chosen topic. ~ Other works are correctly cited. ~The paper is 8 - 9 pages. | ~ Less than 10 articles are reviewed, but most loosely contribute to the topic. ~ The other works are not cited. ~ The paper is 5 - 7 pages. | ~ 5 or less articles are reviewed, but they do not relate or contribute to the topic. ~ There are no other works to be cited. ~ The paper is 1 - 4 pages. |  |
| **Timing** | The paper is submitted before or by the deadline. | The paper is submitted a few hours after the deadline. | The paper is submitted a day or two after the deadline. | The paper is submitted several days after the deadline, or is not submitted at all. |  |