Research Paper Criteria

CATEGORY	CRITERIA	POINTS POSSIBLE
Information Usage	 Is it full of interesting information that makes the reader want to keep reading? Does it have the right depth? Are there correct paraphrasing and citations? Is your information from reputable sources? 	/20
Organization	 Does it unfold like a story? Do the paragraphs make sense? Does each paragraph focus on just one topic? Are any ideas out of place? Does it build to something in the end? 	/10
Use of Language	 Do you use a range of interesting literary devices like imagery, metaphors, similes, personification, alliteration, and so on to help the reader understand the topic better? Do you use interesting craft moves like parallel structure, juxtaposition, purposeful variation of sentence lengths, and so on? Do you use interesting word choice? 	/10
Mr. Johnson's Growth Areas	You spend time grappling with Mr. Johnson's core growth areas; you move forward in those areas in significant ways.	/15
Your Goals	You put serious effort toward improving in your goal areas.	/15
The Rest	 The introduction and conclusion are strong. The topic is compelling and interesting. The grammar and mechanics are strong. The writing in the paper works 	/30
Total	Comments:	/100

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