

Research Essay Rubric

Communication /25

Language Conventions /5

	Level R	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	
Spelling	/2	NS	S	G	VG	E
Use of 3rd person	/1	NS	S	G	VG	E
Punctuation	/1	NS	S	G	VG	E
Capitalization	/1	NS	S	G	VG	E

Essay Layout /20

Intro Paragraph follows structure	/3	NS	S	G	VG	E
Body Paragraphs follow structure	/5	NS	S	G	VG	E
Concluding Paragraph follows structure	/2	NS	S	G	VG	E
Works Cited done properly	/3	NS	S	G	VG	E
Parenthetical references done properly	/3	NS	S	G	VG	E
Paragraphs are indented	/2	NS	S	G	VG	E
Proper spacing between paragraphs	/2	NS	S	G	VG	E

Application /25

Critical Thinking /20

Has roadmap thesis sentence	/3	NS	S	G	VG	E
Logical order to argument	/2	NS	S	G	VG	E
Has picked strongest examples	/3	NS	S	G	VG	E
Explains relevancy of quotes	/5	NS	S	G	VG	E
Resources used are diverse	/5	NS	S	G	VG	E
Shows relation between quoted info. and purpose of essay (concluding sentences for body paragraphs)	/2	NS	S	G	VG	E

Editing Process /5

Rough draft edited by somebody else	/2	NS	S	G	VG	E
Evidence of self editing in rough draft	/3	NS	S	G	VG	E