Research Paper Rubric

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| * Apply a wide range of vocabulary fluently, accurately, and appropriately.
* Uses detailed relevant facts to show understanding through accurate and precise descriptions, explanations and examples. The depth of content knowledge is applied to the real world and uses prior knowledge.
* Apply  scientific reasoning to draw a conclusion using adequate data and evidence.
* Formal writing, transition words helps the paper read smoothly and fluently.
* Uses punctuation for effect and voice.
* Introduction grabs the reader’s attention.
 | * Use appropriate vocabulary
* Use relevant facts to show understanding through accurate descriptions, explanations and examples.
* Used evidence to draw a conclusion.
* Formal writing, uses fourth grade appropriate transition words.
* Mostly correct punctuation.
* Introduction states the topicclearly.
 | * Use some content vocabulary accurately and appropriately.
* Use mostly relevant facts and usually shows understanding through descriptions, explanations and examples though they may be basic.
* Use information from observations to draw a conclusion.
* Goes in between formal and informal writing with 3rd grade transitional words.
* Some punctuation.
* Introduction is not clear.
 | * Vocabulary is not used correctly.
* Claims not supported with evidence from research.
* No Conclusion
* Lacking transitional words or choppy.
* No punctuation.
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