

RUBRIC and explanations for grading Quarterly and Written Reports

A. QUARTERLY REPORT

Grading Criteria

Sections: There are five (5) sections to this report. Not having the five is an automatic deduction for each missing section. This simple requirement is worth half the grade on the report. Following instructions is important for this report. [20 points]

Science Event: What is the science value of the event you are reporting on? Is this section the required length? Do you have at least two paragraphs – one to summarize the article you chose and one to talk about your thoughts after studying it. [8 points]

Content: Do you cover what you are supposed to in the sections? Have you put effort into this project or does it seem that you just rushed it together to make the deadline. [4 points]

Style (grammar, spelling, etc.): This should be obvious but can you spell? Can you write a good sentence? Do you say something? [4 points]

Reference: You need to provide a proper reference for the event. There is a paper suggestion options for references from all kinds of sources on the website. Ultimately, I ask myself if I could find the article from the information you give me. Full credit is a proper reference. [4 points]

Extra Credit: If you get this report in early, according to directions you get credit. [4 points]

Late: You lose points based on the lateness of your report. One starts out – 4 points and it can increase as the report gets later.

Final Score: Regular score for this report is 40 points.

B. WRITTEN REPORT

Grading Criteria

Science Value: Is this a real scientific article? Is it from an acceptable source, that is, is it from a scientific journal? [4 points]

Content: Do you have the required length? At Least two paragraphs? [4 points]

Style (grammar, spelling, etc.): This should be obvious but can you spell? Can you write a good sentence? Do you say something? [4 points]

Length: Is the article the minimum length? Is your report the minimum length? [4 points]

Reference: You need to provide a proper reference for the event. There is a paper suggestion options for references from all kinds of sources on the website. Ultimately, I ask myself if I could find the article from the information you give me. Full credit is a proper reference. [4 points]

Final Score: Score for this report is 20 points.