

CRITERION	5	4	3	2	1
<i>Reliability of sources</i>	Fully supported by experts in the field	Supported by quality sources	Supported by credible sources	Supported by some questionable sources	Supported by uncredible sources
<i>MLA format</i>	Flawless MLA formatting	Accurate MLA formatting	Infrequent errors in MLA formatting	Several errors in MLA formatting	Frequent errors in MLA formatting

= _____ **Section 1 (total _____ divided by 2)**

<i>Quality of sources</i>	Research information is extremely relevant to topic and thesis	Research information is strongly relevant to topic and thesis	Research information relevant to topic and thesis	Research information is somewhat relevant to topic and thesis	Research information is not relevant to topic and thesis
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= _____ **Section 2 (total _____ multiplied 2)**

<i>Quantity</i>	Significantly exceeds the minimum/ recommended requirements for research sources	Somewhat exceeds the minimum/ recommended requirement for research sources	Meets the minimum/ recommended requirement for research sources	Falls short of the minimum/ recommended requirement for research sources	Significantly short of the minimum/ recommended requirement for research sources
<i>Currency</i>	Up to date (within the last three years)	Mostly up to date (within the last five years)	Generally up to date (within the last eight years)	Sometimes p to date (within the last eight years)	Research is out of date (over 10 years old)

= _____ **Section 3 (total _____ divided by 2)**

<i>Usage</i>	Sophisticated grammar and usage	Accurate grammar and usage	Infrequent errors in grammar and usage	Several errors in grammar and usage	Frequent errors in grammar and usage
<i>Spelling</i>	Flawless spelling	Accurate spelling	Infrequent errors in spelling	Several errors in spelling	Frequent errors in spelling
<i>Capitalization</i>	Flawless capitalization	Accurate capitalization	Infrequent errors in capitalization	Several errors in capitalization	Frequent errors in capitalization
<i>Punctuation</i>	Sophisticated punctuation	Accurate punctuation	Infrequent errors in punctuation	Several errors in punctuation	Frequent errors in punctuation

= _____ **Section 4 (total _____ divided by 4)**

_____ **OVERALL = (Section 1 + Section 2 + Section 3 + Section 4) divided by 5**

Summary evaluation (circle one): This student's research portfolio rates:

5/Exemplary 4/Above standard 3/Meets standard 2/Some achievement 1/Little achievement