**Research Rubric**

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|  | **Ideas** |
| The writing . . .   * includes a thesis statement that focuses on an interesting aspect of the topic. * effectively supports the thesis. * thoroughly informs readers. * gives credit, when necessary, for ideas from other sources. | |
|  | **Organization** |
| * includes a clearly developed beginning, middle, and ending. * presents supporting information in an organized manner (perhaps one main idea per paragraph). | |
|  | **Voice** |
| * speaks in a sincere and knowledgeable way. * shows that the writer is truly interested in the subject. | |
|  | **Word Choice** |
| * explains or defines any unfamiliar terms. * employs an appropriate level of language. | |
|  | **Sentence Fluency** |
| * flows smoothly from one idea to the next. | |
|  | **Conventions** |
| * adheres to the rules of grammar, spelling, and punctuation. * follows the appropriate format for research papers (including correct documentation). | |

**Comments:**

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