

Score	4 (Exemplary)	3 (Meets Standard)	1-2 (Approaching Standard)	0 (Missing or Wholly Inaccurate)
Focus	Your claim is consistently and purposefully focused: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Your claim is clearly stated and strongly maintained Your claim is introduced and communicated clearly within context. 	Your claim is adequately and general focused: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Your claim is clear and for the most part maintained through some loosely related material may be present. Some context for the Your claim. 	Your claim is somewhat unclear and unfocused: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Your claim is for the most part maintained though there may be a minor drift. Your claim may be lacking an appropriate context. 	Your claim is unclear and unfocused: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Your claim may have a major drift. Your claim may be confusing or ambiguous.
Organization	Your claim has a clear and effective organizational structure helping create unity and completeness: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Employs a strong opening and logical progression of ideas. Effective introduction and conclusion for audience and purpose. 	Your claim has an evident organizational structure and a sense of completeness, though some ideas may be loosely connected: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adequate use of transitional strategies with some variety. Ideas progress from beginning to end. Introduction and conclusion are adequate. Adequate, if slightly inconsistent, connection among ideas. 	Your claim has an inconsistent organizational structure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inconsistent use of transitional strategies with little variety. Ideas progress unevenly from beginning to end. Introduction and conclusion, if present, are weak. Weak connection between ideas. 	Your claim has little or no discernible organizational structure: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Few or no transitional strategies are evident. Frequent extraneous ideas may intrude.
Elaboration of Evidence	Your claim provides thorough and convincing support/evidence for your main topic that includes the accurate and effective use of sources, facts, and details: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> use of evidence from sources is smoothly integrated 	Your claim provides adequate support/evidence for your main topic that includes the use of sources, facts, and details: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> some evidence from sources is smoothly integrated though it may be general or imprecise 	The response provides uneven or cursory evidence for your main topic: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> includes partial or superficial use of sources, facts, and details: evidence from sources is weakly integrated 	Your claim provides minimal support/evidence for your topic use of evidence from the source material is minimal, absent, in error, or irrelevant
	A calculations section is present where you clearly and accurately explain HOW you performed each calculation and/or each measurement	A calculations section is present where you generally explain your calculation and/or measurement methods	A calculations section is present. However, your explanations only weakly support your calculations /measurements or are frequently inaccurate	A calculations section is absent and/or your explanations are missing or wholly inaccurate
Reasoning	Your claim clearly and effectively expresses ideas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> use of precise language (including academic and science-specific language) consistent use of syntax and discourse appropriate to the audience and purpose 	Your claim adequately expresses ideas employing a mix of precise with more general language: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> use of use of academic and science-specific language is adequate use of syntax and discourse generally appropriate to the audience and purpose 	Your claim inconsistently expresses ideas employing simplistic language: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> use of science-specific insufficient use of academic and science specific language Use of syntax and discourse may at times be inappropriate to the audience and purpose 	Your claim expresses vague ideas, lacks clarity, or is confusing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> uses limited language or science specific vocabulary rudimentary use of syntax and discourse inappropriate for the audience and purpose

NOTE: This project is weighted x 2

Did you have someone else review AND score your project using this rubric? Yes / No

Name of evaluator: _____

Signature of evaluator: _____