

SCORING CRITERIA - Research

Description: Students will ask questions and gather and synthesize information in order to further their knowledge and support ideas. Students will be able to...

Performance Indicator:	Beginning	Developing	Proficient	Expanding
1. Analyze the relevance, bias, and usefulness of information.	Locate information that pertains to the topic researched.	Select and categorize information according to relevance and usefulness.	Analyze information and sources to determine the relevance, bias and usefulness of information.	Seek out additional information to ensure a comprehensive representation of the topic.

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2. Use and adapt appropriate research tools, including but not limited to technology and digital media, to access information.	Identify a range of research tools to access information.	Select appropriate research tools to access information.	Select, use and adapt research tools to access information.	Evaluate usefulness of variety of research tools for specific purposes.



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3. Compare and synthesize information from multiple sources and/or disciplines to draw conclusions or make claims.	Select information from multiple sources to support claim.	Compare information from multiple sources to draw conclusion, or make claim.	Synthesize information from multiple sources in order to make comparisons, draw conclusions and/or make claims.	Analyze the interrelationships among or between specific concepts across multiple sources to generate conclusions or claims.

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4. Develop questions that can guide further learning.	Use predetermined questions to guide learning.	Develop questions to clarify understanding.	Develop open-ended questions to guide and expand learning.	Develop new questions based on learning. Construct questions that identify gaps in learning.

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5. Use evidence and reasoning to justify claims or conclusions.	Identify evidence to support a claim.	Use reasoning to explain how evidence supports claim or conclusion.	Support claims or conclusions with evidence and reasoning.	Integrate evidence and reasoning to support claims or conclusions.