

OPEN: Research		Entrant name: Project:		Check if youth entry: <input type="checkbox"/>
Topic	1-2 points	3-4 points	5-6 points	7-8 points
<b>Up to 8 Points</b>  <b>Each item is worth 1 point</b>	The research question or thesis statement is poorly defined	The research question or thesis statement is clearly defined	The paper addresses a clearly defined research question but may not provide conclusive statement	The paper provides a conclusive argument, answering all questions and supporting the thesis statement
	The topic generally falls within the timeframe & culture of the SCA but is broad	The entrant primarily summarizes existing secondary sources (book report)	The entrant compares and contrasts primary and/or secondary sources	...AND the entrant responds to previous scholarship and/or offers new insight into the topic
				...AND/OR the entry creates an important body of clearly sourced information that will be useful to other researchers in the SCA
				<b>TOPIC POINTS:</b>  <b>/8</b>

Use whole or half points only

Sources	1 Point	2-3 Points	4-5 points	6 points	7-8 Points
<b>Up to 8 Points</b>  <b>Select best fit from columns at right</b>   <i>* Entrants should use a defined style format (MLA, APA, Chicago, etc.)</i>	Five sources minimum*	Entrant uses some unreliable or unverifiable sources via the internet or popular media	Entrant uses information from a wide array of sources, some of which are verifiable, some of which are not	Entrant uses information from a variety of reliable sources and the majority are primary or secondary sources	Entrant relies on primary sources, scholarly papers, and journals for information
		Sources of some of the information referenced is unclear	Entrant relies mainly on tertiary sources (encyclopedias, textbooks, etc.)		...AND if applicable, uses extant artifacts/documents (including photos, scale drawings, and digital facsimiles of documents)
					<b>SOURCES POINTS:</b>  <b>/8</b>

Use whole or half points only

<b>Inquiry</b>	<b>1-2 Points</b>	<b>3-4 Points</b>	<b>5-6 Points</b>	<b>7-8 Points</b>	
<b>Up to 8 Points:</b> <b>Select best fit from columns at right</b>	Entrant simply reports information from sources with little or no question or comment	Entrant compiles information provided by different sources without critique	Entrant thoroughly discusses and evaluates information presented by sources	Entrant demonstrates critical thinking and presents analysis	Use whole or half points only  <b>INQUIRY POINTS:</b>  <b>/8</b>
		Entrant compiles the information provided with some comparison or evaluation of the sources included in the discussion		<b>...AND</b> presents clear conclusions based on that analysis	

<b>Craft</b>	<b>1-2 Point</b>	<b>3-4 Points</b>	<b>5-6 Points</b>	<b>7-8 Points</b>	
<b>Up to 8 points:</b> <b>Select best fit from columns at right</b>	Entrant provides an incomplete list of sources	Sources/citations are present but inconsistent; individual ideas or pieces of information are difficult to attribute to a specific source	Citations are consistent throughout and all individual ideas or pieces of information are clearly attributed to their source.	Work is closely cited and may incorporate visual aids such as supporting images, diagrams, graphs, charts, etc. highlight critical information (if applicable).	Use whole or half points only  <b>CRAFT POINTS:</b>  <b>/8</b>
	Lacks organization; document contains many typos; formatting issues make it difficult to read or follow	Organization is muddled, some writing errors, typos, etc.	Content is organized, writing is competent and contains only a few minor typos or errors	Well organized and well written, free of grammatical errors and typos	

<b>Complexity</b>	<b>1-2 Points</b>	<b>3-4 Points</b>	<b>5-6 Points</b>	<b>7-8 Points</b>	
<b>Up to 8 points:</b>	Simple topic, required little research to present material	Topic requires basic research but little to no analysis of evidence is required	Topic involves one or more elements that require investigation and analysis to develop a composite conclusion	Topic has one or more related elements, each of which requires thorough investigation	Use whole or half points only
<b>Select best fit from columns at right</b>				... <b>AND/OR</b> requires advanced research skills (translations, experiments, etc.)	<b>COMPLEXITY POINTS:</b>
					<b>/8</b>

**Judge's Name:**

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**Judge's Comments:**

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	<b>TOPIC</b> 8	
	<b>SOURCES</b> 8	
	<b>INQUIRY</b> 8	
	<b>CRAFT</b> 8	
	<b>COMPLEXITY</b> 8	
<b>Judge's Discretion: up to 3 points</b>	<b>JUDGE'S DISCRETION</b> 3	
Judges may award for excellence in aspects not covered by the rubric or for going above and beyond in one or more areas		
	<b>TOTAL POINTS</b>	<b>/ 40</b>