Research Paper Rubric	Proficient	Developing	Underdeveloped
Formatting 5%	Most or all met: Double-spaced, 1" margins all around, left-aligned, appropriate font size, appropriate font style, black ink, header 1/2" from top of page, header includes name/class/date, title is formatted correctly, pages are numbered	Some are met: Double-spaced, 1" margins all around, left-aligned, appropriate font size, appropriate font style, black ink, header 1/2" from top of page, header includes name/class/date, title is formatted correctly, pages are numbered	Many are not met: Double-spaced, 1" margins all around, left-aligned, appropriate font size, appropriate font style, black ink, header 1/2" from top of page, header includes name/class/date, title is formatted correctly, pages are numbered
Requirements 70%	Appropriate and catchy title, grabber is evident and effective, topic is clearly presented in the introduction, strong thesis statement, clear topic sentences, focused paragraphs, purposeful paper organization, sufficient supporting evidence, sources have been cited accurately, works cited page is included and correctly formatted, research topic has been reiterated in conclusion, sum of findings and importance has been reiterated in conclusion, adequate number of appropriate sources	Title and/or grabber could use some work, topic is presented in the introduction, thesis statement could use some work, good topic sentences, paragraphs and organization could use some work, missing some supporting evidence, sources have been cited, works cited page is included, research topic has been reiterated in conclusion, part of the findings and importance has been reiterated in conclusion, may be lacking some appropriate sources	Missing title and/or grabber, topic is missing or not clearly presented in the introduction, weak thesis statement, unclear topic sentences, paragraphs need a lot of work and paper is unorganized, sufficient supporting evidence, sources are not cited and/or missing works cited page, sum of findings and importance hasn't been reiterated in conclusion, inadequate number of appropriate sources
Polish 25%	Little or no use of forbidden words, little or no punctuation or grammar problems, little or no spelling problems, transitions help essay flow smoothly, formality and tone are appropriate: Third Person, essay shows pride and effort: organization notes, rough draft, and revisions	Some use of forbidden words, some punctuation and/or grammar problems, some spelling problems, transitions could use some work, formality and tone could use some help, essay shows some pride and effort: organization notes, rough draft, and revisions	Many occurrences of forbidden words, numerous punctuation and/or grammar problems, many spelling problems, transitions are missing or need a lot of help, formality and tone are inappropriate, essay lacks pride and effort: organization notes, rough draft, and revisions