**RESEARCH PAPER #1 GRADING RUBRIC**

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| **CONTENT**Intro:**Hook** (interesting and specific and illustrating the debate)**Background** about the debates around your ? **A research question that is**: **Debatable****Measurable/testable****Social Science ?****Specific**Body paragraphs:Have topic sentences that clearly tell the reader what argument the paragraph will be looking at. Cover both sides of two major debates surrounding the central question using scholarly sources. **Sources should:****Meet the 3 A criteria or are reliable (Domain, Authority, Currency, Bias, Origin, Functionality)** [**https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3E6tCvjtawM**](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3E6tCvjtawM)Quotes need to be clearly introduced with:**Author name****Source name****A brief summary of the text’s central WHAT** **A set-up of the quote’s specific argument** AND cited appropriately (quote marks and in-text citations) Paragraphs need at least 1-2 quotes each 🡪 every claim made needs support with scholarly evidence. Conclusion should summarize main points **and** present a thesis for an upcoming argument paper.   | **ORGANIZATION****T** opic Sentence **E** xample/evidence**A**nalysis**S**ummary/**E**nd **Smooth transitions** between paragraph ideas. | **MECHANICS**CommasVerb tenses 🡪 need to stay consistent Spelling and capitalizationUsing “we” or “you” to refer to your audience 🡪 too general Vague pronoun usage  |