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Question/Thesis	Posed a thoughtful, creative question that engaged them in challenging or provocative research. The question has the potential to add to the body of knowledge.	Posed a focused question involving them in challenging research.	Question lends itself to readily available answers	Question poorly stated or could use reformulation	No question/problem or simplistic question
Data gathering and literature review	Outstanding effort in generating original data or developing primary sources. Scholarly knowledge of relevant literature	Good effort put into gathering data and a balanced literature from a variety of relevant sources	Average effort put into gathering data and literature	Data and literature appropriate, but gathered from a limited range of sources and displayed minimal effort in selecting quality resources	Data gathered improperly; Literature lacks relevance, quality, depth and balance.
Analysis and methods	Used sophisticated research design and drew appropriate and inventive conclusions supported by evidence.	Applied an appropriate research design and drew appropriate and inventive conclusions supported by evidence.	Average quality of analysis. Conclusions could be supported by stronger evidence.	Conclusions simply involved restating information. Conclusions were not supported by evidence.	Fatally flawed analysis or research design
Presentation	Highly effective use of appropriate communication tools to convey conclusions. Presentation displays creativity and originality.	Effectively communicated the results of research to a diverse audience.	Average quality of communication	Communication (either presentation or verbal) should be improved	Presentation was not clear