LABORATORY REPORT RUBRIC

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| CATEGORY | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| Question/Purpose | The purpose of the lab or the question to be answered during the lab is clearly identified and stated. | The purpose of the lab or the question to be answered during the lab is identified, but is stated in a somewhat unclear manner. | The purpose of the lab or the question to be answered during the lab is partially identified, and is stated in a somewhat unclear manner. | The purpose of the lab or the question to be answered during the lab is erroneous or irrelevant. |
| Background Sources | Several reputable background sources were used and cited correctly. Material is translated into student's own words. | A few reputable background sources are used and cited correctly. Material is translated into studentl's own words. | A few background sources are used and cited correctly, but some are not reputable sources. Material is translated into studentl's own words. | Material is directly copied rather than put into students own words and/or background sources are cited incorrectly. |
| Materials | All materials and setup used in the experiment are clearly and accurately described. | Almost all materials and the setup used in the experiment are clearly and accurately described. | Most of the materials and the setup used in the experiment are accurately described. | Many materials are described inaccurately OR are not described at all. |
| Scientific Concepts | Report illustrates an accurate and thorough understanding of scientific concepts underlying the lab. | Report illustrates an accurate understanding of most scientific concepts underlying the lab. | Report illustrates a limited understanding of scientific concepts underlying the lab. | Report illustrates inaccurate understanding of scientific concepts underlying the lab. |
| Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar | One or fewer errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar in the report. | Two or three errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar in the report. | Four errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar in the report. | More than 4 errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar in the report. |
| Appearance/Organization | Lab report is typed and uses headings and subheadings to visually organize the material. | Lab report is neatly handwritten and uses headings and subheadings to visually organize the material. | Lab report is neatly written or typed, but formatting does not help visually organize the material. | Lab report is handwritten and looks sloppy with cross-outs, multiple erasures and/or tears and creases. |
| Summary | Summary describes the skills learned, the information learned and some future applications to real life situations. | Summary describes the information learned and a possible application to a real life situation. | Summary describes the information learned. | No summary is written. |
| Error Analysis | Experimental errors, their possible effects, and ways to reduce errors are discussed. | Experimental errors and their possible effects are discussed. | Experimental errors are mentioned. | There is no discussion of errors. |
| Data | Professional looking and accurate representation of the data in tables and/or graphs. Graphs and tables are labeled and titled. | Accurate representation of the data in tables and/or graphs. Graphs and tables are labeled and titled. | the data in written form, but no graphs or | Data are not shown OR are inaccurate. |

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