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| **Description:** Diet Related Essay/Research Project |

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|   | **60 Points** | **55 Points** | **40 Points** | **30 Points** | **20 Points** |
| Opening Paragraph | Student has a hook, thesis statement is clearly stated. | Essay contains a hook, thesis statement is present. | Thesis statement is present. No hook is present. | Hook is present, no thesis statement. | Student wrote a brief opening paragraph, no hook or thesis present. |
| Body | Body of essay is very organized, the essay flow smoothly. | Body of essay is organized, but could flow better with use or transitional words. | Body of paragraph needs more organization. | Little organization of information is present. | No organization is present. |
| Closing | Essay is brought to a close. Thesis is restated. | Essay is brought to a close, thesis is restated, could be stronger. | Essay is either brought to a close and thesis is restated. More information needed to completely bring to a close. | Thesis statement or closing paragraph included. | No Closing paragraph is included. |
| Grammar | Fewer than 5 grammatical errors are present. | 6-8 grammatical errors are present | 9-10 grammatical errors are present | 11-14 grammatical errors are present. | More than 15 grammatical errors are present. |
| Spelling | Fewer than 5 spelling errors are present. | 6-8 spelling errors are present. | 9-10 spelling errors are present. | 11-14 spelling errors are present, | More than 15 spelling errors are present. |
| Sentence Structure | Essay contains a variety of sentences. Less than 5 sentence structure errors. | A variety of sentences are used. 6-8 errors in sentence structure. | Different types of sentences are used. 9-10 errors in sentence structure. | Few or little variation in sentence structure. 11-14 errors in sentence structure. | No variety of sentence structure, more than 15 errors in sentence structure. |
| Resources/Work Cited Page | At least 2 separate resources were used. Resources were cited correctly on work cited page. | 2 resources were used, 2-3 errors in citing on work cited page. | 1-2 sources were used,4-5 errors on work cited page. | Less than 2 sources were used, 6-8 errors on work cited page. | Work cited page did not accompany essay. |
| Format | Paper is at least 4 pages, double spaced with no larger than 1” margins, and is written in Times New Roman, 12 pt. font.  | Paper is not 4 pages in length but has proper formatting of margins and font size.  | Paper is not 4 pages in length and has formatting, margin, or font size issues | Paper is not 4 pages in length, and has 2 issues with the following: formatting, margins or font size | Paper is not 4 pages in length, and has issues with the following: formatting, margins or font size |

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