**Student Directed Project Rubric**

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| **Category** | **Scoring Criteria** | **Total Points** | **Score** |
| **Organization**  **(20 points)** | Has met all progress **check-in dates**. The submission requirements have been met. Student has shown progression of learning through checkpoints | 10 |  |
| The **focus question** is clear and is related to at least one major curricular outcome (topic). | 5 |  |
| Develops an appropriate and efficient **plan** to answer the question. | 5 |  |
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| **Research and Content**  **(60 points)** | Makes detailed and relevant observations through **experimental processes** and/or **research**.   * A variety of sources have been used (internet, scientific journals, people, etc.) * A detailed collection of research/evidence has been provided * A minimum of 6 hours has been spent on the research (log has been completed) * Log – student has shown learning through log | 20 |  |
| Provides detailed **explanations (analysis)** of the information (data) collected (quantitative or qualitative) | 10 |  |
| Draws insightful **conclusions** based on the data. Communicates findings effectively and appropriately with a high degree of clarity and precision. This may be a **reflection** of the learning that took place.   * Your **Focus Question** has been answered with supporting evidence * Consideration has been given to the **next steps**… (Where would you go next, if you were to continue this project?) * **Personal growth** and **personal connections** to the topic are evident. How is it relevant to you? | 20 |  |
| A minimum of **5 sources** have been used and all are documented (cited) properly, according to the APA format. | 10 |  |
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| **Product**  **(20 points)** | The product is free of any grammatical or spelling errors. | 5 |  |
| The product is neat, clean and attractive. | 5 |  |
| The product shows creativity and/or has been presented in an innovative fashion. | 10 |  |
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| **Score** | **Total Points** | **100** |  |

***Justify your mark!*** You are required to complete a **1 page write-up** that will justify the mark that you have assigned to yourself based on the above criteria. Attach your 1 page write-up to this document. Please make sure that you address the 3 major categories (Organization, Research/Content, and Product).You may be asked to **verbally explain** your self-assessment. **Late assignments** will be assessed by the teacher ONLY.