

Kodiak's Rural Science Fair '03-'04

Scientist/Teacher Judging Criteria for a Demonstration/Collection

Project #	Team or Individual	

Criterion	0	1	3	5
Question/Problem or statement of purpose	There is no question, prob- lem, or statement of pur- pose	The question, problem, or statement of purpose is vague and/or too broad	The question, problem, or statement of purpose is adequately stated	The statement of purpose is clearly stated (Why do you want to do this collection/demonstration?)
Prediction about what will be found by doing the project	There is no prediction for the project stated	The prediction is poorly stated	The prediction isadequately ststed	The prediction is clearly stated and answers the question, problem or speaks to the statement of purpose. It is based on research gathered
Data/Background information on topic	There is no data or back- ground information on the topic	 The data/information is disorganized. It is difficult for the reader to understand new information Data/information was collected, but is not enough to accurately address the purpose 	 The data/information is organized and describes new information Enough data was collected to address the question, problem, or statement of purpose 	 The data/information is overtly organized. A variety of ways are used to display it and describe newly learned information There is enough data to accurately address the question, problem or purpose
Evidence of Research/Gathering of Information	There is no evidence of research	The research is not related to the question, problem, or statement of purpose It is not clear where or how the information was gathered, though references are mentioned	The research is related to the question, problem, or statement of purpose References are cited	The research is specific to the question, problem or statement of purpose and will help the scientist to accurately hypothesize or predict results References are clearly cited and the reader knows exactly where the information was gathered

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Conclusions and/or suggestions for further exploration	There is no conclusion or reference made to fur- ther exploration	 No connection is made between the question and data collected A vague reference has been made to suggestions for further exploration 	 Conclusions are clearly stated with applications of newly learned information An adequate description is made for suggestions for further exploration 	 The student has made insightful connections between the question, problem, or purpose and the newly learned information Details have been given for suggestions for further exploration
Appearance	The project is sloppy and disorganized	More work is needed to make the display neat	The information is displayed clearly and neatly	The project commands attention and is extremely neat and easy to read
Presentation	The student did not share his/her project orally	The student needs more practice in sharing his/her project orally	The student is able to communicate effectively his/her understanding of the investigation in an oral presentation	The student shows a depth of understanding of the investigation and was able to share that in his/her oral presentation and while answering specific questions from judges
Models, charts, pictures, maps, etc.	None are used	A few are used, but may not be useful or accurate	An effort was made to include these to enhance the display and share newly learned information	The models, charts, pictures, maps, etc. are used creatively and accurately to enhance the display and share newly learned information

Judge's comments/suggestions:			