

Criteria	0 points	1 point	2 points	3 points
Research problem/ Significance of the topic	Missing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimal background information Unclear study problem/significance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sufficient background information Unclear study problem/significance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sufficient background information Clear study problem/significance
Methods/Investigative Strategy	Missing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimal methods/investigative strategy provided Unclear how methods/investigative strategy addresses study problem/significance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sufficient methods/investigative strategy provided Unclear how methods/investigative strategy addresses study problem/significance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sufficient methods/investigative strategy provided Clear how methods/investigative strategy addresses study problem/significance
Results	Missing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results are unclear or unrelated to the study purpose Difficult to interpret from a lay perspective 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results are connected to the study purpose Difficult to interpret from a lay perspective 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results are clearly connected to the study purpose Easy to interpret from a lay perspective
Conclusion	Missing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conclusions are unclear or unrelated to study purpose Impact of work is unclear from a lay perspective 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conclusions are supported and connected to the study purpose Impact of work is unclear from a lay perspective 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conclusions are supported and connected to the study purpose Impact of work is clear from a lay perspective
Writing Quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Numerous grammatical errors Typos and/or undefined jargon impede understanding by a lay audience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Many grammatical errors Typos and/or jargon are present and somewhat impede understanding by a lay audience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some grammatical errors Typos and/or jargon are present but do not impede understanding by a lay audience 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Few/no grammatical errors Jargon is appropriately defined and easy to understand from a lay perspective

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