

## Journal Rubric

<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>Permanence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Journal is written in a composition notebook.</li><li>• All notes, labs, and in-class writing assignments are neatly stapled or taped into journal on a page that corresponds with the date of the work.</li></ul>
<b>Legibility</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Handwriting is easy to read, and data are recorded in ink.</li><li>• Journal entries include enough blank space that additional notes may be added.</li></ul>
<b>Format</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Each entry begins with the date and textbook title for the activity.</li><li>• Journal is written chronologically.</li><li>• Each new activity starts at the top of a new page.</li><li>• You have boxed questions, so that you may ask them later.</li></ul>
<b>Deadlines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All assignments were completed on time.</li></ul>
<b>Observations</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Journal entries are neat records, with data and observations clearly recorded at the time of experimentation.</li><li>• Data tables, units of measurement, and drawings are frequently used to clarify records.</li></ul>
<b>Accuracy and Communication</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Observations are descriptive and to the point.</li><li>• Drawings are included wherever appropriate.</li><li>• Anyone who reads this journal could tell the difference between the author's actual observations and his or her ideas and speculations about what was observed.</li><li>• Notes are written clearly and organized so the author will still be able to understand them weeks or even months later.</li><li>• Answers to questions and essays are all written in the author's own words, in complete sentences, and are well reasoned.</li><li>• Accurate information is given, specific evidence is used to support responses at least 3/4 of the time, and the sources of the evidence are cited where appropriate.</li></ul>

*The rubric used to grade your journal will be similar to this:*

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<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Score</b> (5 meets all criteria)	<b>Comments</b>
Permanence and Legibility	1 to 5 points	
Format	1 to 5 points	
Deadlines	1 to 5 points	
Observations, Accuracy and Communication	1 to 5 points	

Total Score: 20 points Maximum