

Scoring Rubric for Psychology Research Manuscripts or Proposals

	<b>No Attempt 1</b>	<b>Beginning 2</b>	<b>Developing 3</b>	<b>Accomplished 4</b>	<b>Exemplary 5</b>
<b>Introduction</b>					
<b>APA Format:</b> Title, citation format, conformity to APA rules	No attempt to address this area; does not follow APA rules	APA format incorrect for most elements	At least one major element of APA format incorrect (i.e., citations)	Follows most guidelines; minor deficiencies	Completely correct APA style for the introduction
<b>Writing Style:</b> Grammar, organization, readability	No regard for this area; not even grammar check	Shows evidence of grammar and spell check only	Adequate; but at least one major deficiency	Generally good writing style, with minor deficiencies	Excellent writing style with few or no problems
<b>Content:</b> Literature Review, Development of Argument, Hypotheses	Missing major components for an introduction	Serious flaws and missing major component	At least one important area omitted or not developed	Minor deficiencies in lit review, argument development, hypotheses	Excellent lit review that leads to clear argument and hypotheses
<b>Method</b>					
<b>APA Format:</b> Use of correct subsections and technical terms	No attempt to address this area; does not follow APA rules	APA format incorrect for most elements	At least one major element of APA format incorrect (i.e., use of correct subsections)	Follows most guidelines; minor deficiencies	Completely correct APA style for the methods section
<b>Writing Style:</b> Defined terms; readability	No regard for this area; not even grammar check	Shows evidence of grammar and spell check only	Adequate; but at least one major deficiency	Generally good writing style, with minor deficiencies	Excellent grammar, definition of terms; few or no problems
<b>Content:</b> Complete descriptions, no irrelevant details; could replicate	Missing major components of a methods section	Serious flaws and missing some components; could not replicate	At least one important subsection omitted or not developed	Minor deficiencies in descriptions or details; no irrelevant details	Excellent; could be completely replicated
<b>Results</b>					
<b>APA Format:</b> Proper format for statistics	No attempt to address this area; does not follow APA rules	APA format incorrect for most elements	At least one element of APA format for reporting statistics incorrect	Follows most guidelines; minor deficiencies	Completely correct APA style for reporting data and statistics including figures and tables
<b>Writing Style:</b> Clear descriptions of data and statistics	No data or analyses included in the section	Missing statistical analyses with minimal attention to data	Adequate; but at least one major deficiency	Generally good descriptions of data analyses with minor flaws in reporting	Clear descriptions of data and statistics, including figures and tables
<b>Content:</b> Appropriate analyses, guides reader through	Missing major statistical analyses	Serious flaws or incorrect analyses for addressing hypothesis	At least one analysis pertinent to hypothesis is omitted or not developed	Generally good analyses with minor omissions of supporting data	Thorough reporting of statistics with supporting data

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<b>Discussion</b>					
<b>APA Format:</b> Discussion and citations conform to APA Style	No attempt to address this area; does not follow APA rules	APA format incorrect for most elements	At least one major element of APA format incorrect (i.e., citations)	Follows most guidelines; minor deficiencies	Completely correct APA style for the discussion
<b>Writing Style:</b> Grammar, organization, readability	No regard for this area; not even grammar check	Shows evidence of grammar and spell check only	Adequate; but at least one major deficiency	Generally good writing style, with minor deficiencies	Excellent writing style with few or no problems
<b>Content:</b> Relates data to hypothesis, theoretical analysis, method critique, future research	Missing major components for a discussion section	Serious flaws and missing major component	At least one important area omitted or not developed	Minor deficiencies in interpretation, critique, future directions	Excellent discussion with clear connection to introduction, methods, data interpretation and future directions
<b>Ancillary Pages: Cover page, Abstract, References, Tables, Figures</b>					
<b>APA Format:</b> Follows APA rules	No attempt to address this area; does not follow APA rules	APA format incorrect for most elements	At least one element of APA format is incorrect	Follows most guidelines; minor deficiencies	Follows all APA rules for each page
<b>Writing Style:</b> Grammar, organization, spelling	No attempt to address this area; missing ancillary pages	No missing pages but little attempt to write clearly	Adequate; but at least one major deficiency	Generally good organization and grammar with some minor deficiencies	Excellent ancillary pages that support manuscript body with few or no problems
<b>Content:</b> Appropriate for section	Abstract does not give clear summary; missing references; missing other pages	No missing pages but minimal content on each page	At least one major ancillary page is missing or inadequate	All ancillary pages included with minor errors or deficiencies	All ancillary pages included with few or no problems
			<b>Overall</b>		
<b>APA style</b>					
<b>Writing style</b>					
<b>Content</b>					
<b>Additional Notes:</b>					

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