

APA Style Guide

Developmental Rubric

	Introductory - Grade 6	Developing - Grades 6, 7, & 8	Proficient - Grades 8, 9, & 10	Mastery - Grades 9, 10, 11, & 12
<i>In-Text Citations</i>	No in-text citations within document.	Some in-text citations in document, but with errors.	Some in-text citations used correctly, with corresponding references on the reference list.	In-text citations used correctly throughout the document, with corresponding references on the reference list.
<i>Paraphrasing</i>				
<i>Original Thought</i>	Few, if any, of the sentences/words are written in the student's voice. Most are exactly as written in the original text. Original author is not credited.	Some of the sentences/words are in the student's voice, others are exactly as written in the original text. Original author is credited with an in-text citation.	Most of the sentences/words are in the student's voice. The original author is credited with an in-text citation.	All of the sentences/words are in the student's voice, and original thought is shown. The original author is credited with an in-text citation.
<i>Understanding & Accuracy of Information</i>	There is nothing to show that the student understands the information. No connections between ideas.	Some information is accurate, and the student shows some understanding of the material by making a few connections between ideas.	Most information is accurate, and student shows greater understanding of the material by making substantial connections between ideas.	All information is accurate. Information is clearly written and understandable, with comprehensive connections between the ideas presented.
<i>Direct Quotes</i>	Does not include quotation marks and/or in-text citations	Some quotations are written and cited correctly, but there are errors.	Most quotations are written and cited correctly.	Correctly formatted with in-text citations and references
<i>Range of Sources</i>	One or two kinds of sources, possibly including books and/or websites	At least three kinds of sources, possibly including books, websites, newspapers, and magazines	At least four kinds of sources, possibly including books, ebooks, websites, newspapers, magazines, interviews, and videos	Five or more kinds of sources, possibly including books, ebooks, websites, newspapers, magazines, journals, surveys, interviews, videos, and more
<i>Reference List</i>	Only contains URLs and/or titles of books. Does not follow APA guidelines.	Attempts to follow APA guidelines, but with many errors.	APA guidelines are mostly followed, with few errors.	APA guidelines are followed with minimal errors.