

TCOM 9120
Research & Medical Informatics
Research Writeup Grading Checklist

Citation	Beginning (1)	Developing (2)	Exemplary (3)
Notes:	Contains few elements of an AMA style citation, and more closely resembles a different style altogether	Contains some of the elements of an AMA style citation, but elements are out of order or incorrectly identified	The citation conforms perfectly to the guidelines of AMA citation style
Research Question/ Information Need	Beginning (1)	Developing (2)	Exemplary (3)
Notes:	Poses a vague, unclear question containing few identifiable search terms that may retrieve many irrelevant results and will require extensive searching/limiting or a new search altogether	Poses a broad, general question containing some identifiable search terms that may retrieve some irrelevant results and may require additional searching/limiting	Poses a precise, clear question containing identifiable, specific search terms designed to retrieve only the most relevant results
Search Strategy	Beginning (1)	Developing (2)	Exemplary (3)
Notes:	Constructs a basic/unsuccessful search for information without using advanced searching techniques	Constructs a successful search that uses some/inappropriate advanced searching techniques (i.e., combining searches, MeSH terms, AND/OR, etc.)	Constructs a thorough, precise search for information using appropriate advanced searching techniques (i.e., combining searches, MeSH terms, AND/OR, etc.)
Limits	Beginning (1)	Developing (2)	Exemplary (3)
Notes:	Fails to use available search limits to narrow results	Uses relevant search limits to make results more precise, but leaves out 1 or 2 that might have narrowed them further	Uses the best available search limits to limit a search for the most precise results possible
Justification	Beginning (1)	Developing (2)	Exemplary (3)
Notes:	Unconvincingly justifies the use of the clinical resource, which may or may not be wholly inappropriate for the information need	Adequately justifies the use of the clinical resource above all others for the information need, but may fail to take into account an alternative/superior resource	Successfully justifies the use of the clinical resource above all others for the information need
Credibility of Resource	Beginning (1)	Developing (2)	Exemplary (3)
Notes:	Unconvincingly establishes the credibility of the author/resource by failing to identify credibility cues such as author credentials, publication reputation, date & purpose of publication, quality of writing, etc., and offers an incomplete assessment of those cues that does not fit into the context of the presentation	Adequately establishes the credibility of the author/resource by identifying credibility cues such as author credentials, publication reputation, date & purpose of publication, quality of writing, etc., and offers a general assessment of those cues that may or may not fit into the context of the presentation	Firmly establishes the credibility of the author/resource by identifying credibility cues such as author credentials, publication reputation, date & purpose of publication, quality of writing, etc., and offers a thorough and accurate assessment of those cues as they fit in context of the presentation

Total Score/18: