Science Grading Rubric

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	Distinguished	Accomplished	Proficient	Developing	Needs Improvement
Format	Name, date, class, topic and answers are clearly written in the correct place and work is organized.	All parts but one (name, date, class, topic) and answers are clearly written in the correct place.	Some parts (name, date, class, topic) and answers are written in the correct place.	Heading or answers are missing more than two parts (name, date, class, topic).	Heading or answers are missing more than three parts (name, date, class, topic) and/or may not be written in correct place.
Legibility	Writing is neat and completely legible.	Writing is completely legible.	Writing is mostly legible.	Writing is mostly illegible.	Writing is illegible and unclear.
Accuracy & Completion	-Selective and accurate paraphrasing is usedLogical abbreviations are usedNotes have been madeKey words have been highlighted and/or underlinedRevisions or additions are made in a different color.	-Selective and accurate paraphrasing is usedLogical abbreviations are usedSome key words have been highlighted or underlinedPartial revisions/additions are made in a different color.	-Work may/may not be accurate; information not always paraphrased-copiedSome words are abbreviatedNo use of highlighting or underliningNo revisions have been made.	-Work incompleteNo use of abbreviation.	-Work does not reflect class information.
Academic level of answers	Answers show understanding and directly reflect class discussions and notesAnswers include higher- order thinking.	-Answers show understanding and directly reflect notesA few answers are lower- level, most are higher- order.	-Answers are basic and may reflect notes. -Most answers are lower- level.	-Answers are limited and do not accurately reflect notes.	-Answers are completely inaccurate or missing.
Overall Indication of Learning	Answers indicate learning by effectively identifying all main ideas with supporting details – the <i>WHY</i> , not just the what.	Answers indicate learning by effectively identifying some main ideas.	Answers restate notes and indicate some learning.	Answers restate notes and do not indicate learning.	No learning evident.