## 8th Grade Early Explorer Project

CATEGORY	10	7	5	0
Organization	Project is very well organized, typed, has a cover page, and followed Format Outline.	Project is organized, typed, has cover page, and followed Format Outline.	Project is somewhat organized, typed, does not have cover page, or did not follow Format Outline.	The project is not organized, neat, or did not follow Format Outline.
Quality of Information	Information clearly relates to the main topic. It includes several supporting details and/or examples.	Information clearly relates to the main topic. It provides 1-2 supporting details and/or examples.	Information clearly relates to the main topic. No details and/or examples are given.	Information has little or nothing to do with the main topic.
Sources	All sources (information and graphics) are accurately documented in the desired format. Used at least 3 sources with one being a book.	All sources (information and graphics) are accurately documented, but a few are not in the desired format. Used at least 3 sources with one being a book.	All sources (information and graphics) are accurately documented, but some are not in the desired format. Did not use 3 sources or book.	Many sources are not accurately documented. Did not use 3 sources or at least one book.
Essay Paragraph Construction	All paragraphs include introductory sentence, explanations or details, and concluding sentence.	Most paragraphs include introductory sentence, explanations or details, and concluding sentence.	Paragraphs included related information but were typically not constructed well.	Paragraphing structure was not clear and sentences were not typically related within the paragraphs.
Mechanics	No grammatical, spelling or punctuation errors.	Almost no grammatical, spelling or punctuation errors	A few grammatical, spelling, or punctuation errors.	Many grammatical, spelling, or punctuation errors.
Timeline & Map X 2	Timeline/Map is exceptional, accurate and adds to the reader's understanding of the topic.	Timeline/Map is accurate and adds to the reader's understanding of the topic.	Timeline/Map is neat and accurate but is confusing and does not add to the reader's understanding of the topic.	Timeline/Map is not accurate or neat and does not add to the reader's understanding of the topic.

**Total Points Possible 70** 

Total Points Earned \_\_\_\_\_/70

Grade: \_\_\_\_%