

I-Search Tip Sheet

An A paper will meet the following criteria:

1. _____ The introduction in my SEARCH RESULTS section contains a HOOK followed by a well-written thesis statement.
2. _____ I have at least one direct quote to support each assertion.
3. _____ I have at least two examples/evidence to support each assertion.
4. _____ Most of my examples/evidence is paraphrased.
5. _____ I have CORRECTLY cited the examples/evidence used within my paper.
6. _____ Each of my body paragraphs is organized according to AXES.
7. _____ Each body paragraph begins with an assertion/topic sentence which connects to my thesis.
8. _____ Each body paragraph contains at least two examples that support the assertion/topic sentence.
9. _____ Each body paragraph contain an explanation of how the examples/evidence connects to the assertion.
10. _____ Each body paragraph explains the significance of the information shared. In other words, I explained how the information connects to me/my thesis statement.
11. _____ I can clearly identify a variety of sentence structures within my paper (i.e., simple, complex, compound, compound-complex).
12. _____ I did NOT use 2nd person point of view (you, you're) when writing my paper.
13. _____ All of my quotes are integrated/introduced correctly.
14. _____ All of the sections of my I-Search paper are labeled and in bold print. The sections include the following: Introduction, The Search Story, The Search Results Section, Reflection
15. _____ My paper includes a correctly formatted works cited page that includes at least 6 sources.
16. _____ ALL THE SOURCES LISTED ON MY WORKS CITED PAGE ARE CITED WITHIN MY PAPER.
17. _____ ALL THE SOURCES CITED WITHIN MY PAPER ARE LISTED ON MY WORKS CITED PAGE.
18. _____ One of my sources includes a personal interview.
19. _____ My paper is grammatically correct.
20. _____ I thoughtfully discuss a topic of my choice that is relevant to me and clearly explain the relevance.

