

**Research Assignment: Mountaintop Removal Rubric**

	<b>High Grades (88-100% of maximum points)</b> High scoring students will do the following:	<b>Middle Grades (76-87% of maximum points)</b> Middle scoring students will do the following:	<b>Low Grades (64-75% of maximum points)</b> Low scoring students will do the following:	<b>Unacceptable (0-63% of maximum points)</b>
<b>Arguments</b> <b>30 pts. max</b>	Student accurately and in detail describes the arguments for and against mountain top removal.	Student accurately describes the arguments for and against mountain top removal. Some details may be missing.	Student may or may not accurately describe the arguments for and against mountain top removal. Some details may or may not be missing.	Student inaccurately and without detail describes the arguments for and against mountain top removal.
<b>Score:</b>  Comments:				
<b>Opinion</b> <b>30 pts. max</b>	Student explains his or her opinion on mountain top removal in detail, using supporting details from the research.	Student explains his or her opinion on mountain top removal in detail. Student may not include enough supporting details from the research.	Student may or may not explain his or her opinion on mountain top removal in detail. Student may or may not include supporting details from the research.	Student does not explain his or her opinion on mountain top removal in detail and does not include supporting details from the research.
<b>Score:</b>  Comments:				

<b>Writing</b> <b>15 pts. max</b>	Writing is clear, focused, and organized with no errors in spelling, grammar or punctuation. Student cited 3 or more sources.	Writing is clear, focused, and organized with few errors in spelling, grammar or punctuation. Student cited 2 sources.	Writing may or may not be clear, focused, and organized and may or may not have errors in spelling, grammar or punctuation. Student cited 1 source.	Writing is not clear, focused, or organized and includes errors in spelling, grammar or punctuation. Student did not cite sources.
<b>Score:</b>  Comments:				
<b>Total Score:</b>	<b>Student Name:</b>			