**English 10- Honors**

**Mr. Kashouty- 209**

**Research Paper**

**Grading Rubric**

**Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**\_\_\_\_\_\_/ 5 Topic**

*Does your topic ask a question, take a stance, or a explore a certain problem or cause and its corresponding effect or solution? Was it turned in on time and does it reflect basically the same topic your cleared with Mr. Kashouty, other than slight evolutions or morphs in research along the journey?*

\_\_\_\_\_\_**/ 10 Outline**

*Was your outline turned in on time and does it reflect the organization of your research paper—documenting the different elements including thesis statement, topic sentences, sources and paragraph topics, introduction and conclusion? Is the outline in-depth and extensive in order to help the student throughout the research process as opposed to cursory—“just going through the motions?” Remember—the outline is for you, not for me.*

\_\_\_\_\_\_**/ 20 Formatting**

*Is the paper correctly formatted—MLA format with 12-point, Times New Roman font with normal margins, the heading justified to the left with the relevant information, and all but the heading double-spaced? The research paper should be at least 3-5 pages and consist of an introduction, conclusion, and evidential body paragraphs in between.*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_/ 30 Composition**

*How well is your research portrayed? Is it clear and concise with your points directly supported by evidence? Do you make unsupported claims or introduce irrelevant information or new information in the conclusion? Is your writing style clear and fluid and do paragraphs make sense the way they are organized?*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_/ 10 Grammar and Punctuation**

*Is the research paper free of grammatical errors and is it punctuated correctly?*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_/ 10 Works Cited**

*Is your works cited page formatted and cited correctly in MLA format? Do you have five sources and does each source correlate with an in-text citation? Are your in-text citations cited correctly?*

**\_\_\_\_\_\_/ 15 Research/Sources**

*Did you use five sources—a mixture of primary and secondary—and are they reliable sources? Were you able to find relevant sources and synthesize them to support your claims?*