

## Mini Research Paper and Children's Literature Reviews

1. **MINI RESEARCH PAPER:** Each student will research the importance of literature and literacy in the development of young children using a minimum of three professional journals. The student will write a two to three page report with appropriate footnotes and a bibliography of sources. This report will serve as the introduction to the book reviews.
  
2. **BOOK REVIEWS:** Using the template provided students will review 10 award winning children's books. The children's books must be an award honoree and/or winner (Ex. Caldecott, Reading Rainbow, ABBY, Coretta Scott-King, Ezra Jack Keats, etc.) Lists of these books may be found in the Public Library, Internet, etc.

**This assignment must be submitted as one Word document attached to the Drop box in Learning Unit 15 by the due date in the course calendar**

Research Paper	0 Credit	½ Credit	Full Credit	Score
Format .5 point	Does not follow correct format	1-2 elements of format are not correct	Follows required ECCE Format	
Content 5 points	Missing, Pervasive errors	Content is somewhat general. Some of the paper is vague or hard to follow, Few errors	Discusses the importance of some aspect of Language Arts/Literacy. Well written and thoughtful. No errors in spelling or grammar	
Length 1 point	Less than 2 pages in length	2-2.5 pages in length	2.5-3 Pages in length	
Bibliography 1 point	Less than 2 books or scholarly journal articles used as resources. Improper citations or quotes/paraphrases not footnoted	2 books or scholarly journal articles used as resources. Correctly cited Proper use of footnotes	3 books or scholarly journal articles used as resources. Correctly cited Proper use of footnotes	
<b>Total</b>				/ 7.5