Expected Format and Content

Outline (50 points):

The outline should show specific format of each area you will discuss in your final written report. Each subject area that you will discuss should have a specific heading and a few sentences describing the subject. The outline should be 1-2 pages long and it must be typed.

Research Paper (100 points)

The final paper will be graded on content, format and grammar.

The paper must follow these rules:
- By typed, double spaced
- Be submitted in a folder
- The first line of each paragraph must be indented
- The page number must be at the bottom of each page
- Full student name must appear at the top of every page (header)
- Follow the APA guidelines in all parenthetical references and citations

It must contain the following:

1. Title Page: Choose an informative title and avoid titles that do not describe the topic. Center the title on the page. Include your name, the full date, the school name, course and teacher name centered below the title (see picture).
2. Abstract: An abstract directly follows the title page, with the word “Abstract” centered above the paragraph. It is a summary of your report, 75-100 words. It is the last thing written.
3. Introduction: The introduction presents the objective or goal of your paper. It must contain a thesis statement.
4. Body of the paper: The body paragraph presents the results of your research. It should follow an organized and logical order. As you are basing your information on the work of others, you must document everything that you borrow (even if it is just an idea an not a “quote”). An in text citation should be a “parenthetical reference”. This is the author’s name and year of publication in parenthesis following each quote or borrowed information.

• The paper must include the following sections (in this order) with each heading underlined:
  o Species Description
  o Natural Range
  o Natural Habitat
  o Natural Diet
  o Natural Predators and/or Competitors
  o Current Range
  o Invaded Habitat
  o Current Diet
  o Current Predators and/or Competitors
  o Negative Effects in Invaded Ecosystems
  o Eradication and Preventative Measure
• **Discussion:** In this section you must be original and come to a logical conclusion regarding your thesis statement.

• **Conclusion:** Your conclusions, opinions and suggestions for future studies regarding the status and protection of your species

• **Must be submitted in Turnitin.com**
  - Any paper not submitted in Turnitin.com will NOT BE ACCEPTED
    - Class IDs
      - Period 7: *******
      - Password for each class is: graham

5. **References:** Include all references used in preparing your paper. Again, use the APA style of referencing. A minimum of 5 references must be used. **References must include at least two books, magazines or newspaper sites. Two of the references must be from the Library.**

6. **Oral Presentation (100 points):**
The oral presentation should be 5-7 minutes in length. The presentation should explain what you learned through your research and include a speech with visuals in the form of a PowerPoint presentation or well-made poster board. You will be expected to answer questions from the class and from the teacher.