

Rubric for Pop Culture Dictionary

| CATEGORY | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
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| Introduction | The introduction explains what the original pop culture text is, who has been influenced by it, and how the words are most often used. It is specific and inviting. | The introduction generally explains what the pop culture text is and who has been influenced by the text, but does not include specific information or does not grab the reader's attention. | The introduction states what the pop culture text is, but does not adequately discuss how the text influences others. | There is no clear introduction. |
| Dictionary Entries | Entries are defined with relevant, accurate details that go beyond the obvious and fully explain the words or phrases. Each entry includes an example of the term from the original text, an example of use of the term outside the text, and details on the term's origin. | Entries include relevant, accurate details, but a portion of an entry is missing or not explained fully. Most entries include an example of the term from the original text, an example of use of the term outside the text, and details on the term's origin. | Entries include relevant details, but information is not fully explained, inaccurate or missing for 2 entries. Some entries are missing an example of the term from the original text, an example of use of the term outside the text, or details on the term's origin. | Entries are unclear or inaccurate. Information is missing for 3 or more entries. Several entries are missing an example of the term from the original text, an example of use of the term outside the text, or details on the term's origin. |
| Sentence Structure | All sentences are well-constructed with varied structure. Each sentence is clear and has an obvious purpose. | Most sentences are well-constructed with varied structure. 1 or 2 sentences are awkward or difficult to understand. | Most sentences are well-constructed but have a similar structure. Several sentences are awkward or difficult to understand. | Sentences lack structure and appear incomplete or rambling. The sentences are unclear and hard to understand. |
| Bibliography | All sources (information and graphics) are credible and cited correctly in the MLA or APA format. | All sources (information and graphics) are credible and most are cited correctly. | Most sources (information and graphics) are credible and cited correctly. | Many sources are less than credible and/or are not cited correctly. |
| Academic Correctness and Formatting | There are no errors in grammar, capitalization, punctuation or spelling. Dictionary entries are in alphabetical order and formatted so the terms are easy to identify. | There are 1–2 errors in grammar, capitalization, punctuation or spelling, but the entries are still clear and understandable. Most dictionary entries are in alphabetical order and formatted so the terms are easy to identify. One or two entries may be out of place or incorrectly formatted. | There are 3–4 errors in grammar, capitalization, punctuation or spelling, but the entries are still understandable. Dictionary entries unorganized OR are not formatted appropriately. | There are more than 4 errors in grammar, capitalization, punctuation or spelling. Dictionary entries unorganized and are not formatted appropriately. |