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Newton in the News Project Rubric

Criteria	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
<i>Articles</i> Nine articles, from the newspaper, no comic strips or magazine/Internet articles	20 points All nine articles complete and present; three articles for each law; all from newspaper.	15 points Five to eight articles complete and present; two for each law; all from newspaper.	10 points One to four articles present; less than two for each law; articles incomplete or from wrong sources.	0 points No articles present.
<i>Recentness of Articles</i> Articles must be dated within the past 30 days.	20 points All dated within the past 30 days.	15 points 75% of articles dated within the past 30 days.	10 points 25% of articles dated within the past 30 days.	0 points Articles are more than 60 days old.
<i>Summaries</i> Use proper paragraph form; includes one summary paragraph for each article.	50 points Summaries complete and present for all articles; accurate in detail and form.	30 points Summaries present for all articles; accurate in detail and form; some not completed.	20 points Some summaries are missing or those that are submitted are not accurate in form or detail or completed.	0 points No summaries present.
<i>Defense of Article</i> Use proper paragraph form; includes one defense paragraph for each article; includes the law represented and the relationship between law and article; uses scientific vocabulary.	50 points Defense complete and present for all articles; relates each article to the law it represents; uses proper form and detail; includes scientific vocabulary.	30 points Defense complete and present for all articles; not all articles are related to laws; does not include scientific vocabulary.	20 points Some defenses are missing; defenses do not include relationship to laws or scientific vocabulary.	0 points No defenses present.
<i>Bibliography</i> Follows proper bibliographical format; all articles listed in bibliography.	20 points All articles listed; bibliographical format is followed and accurate.	15 points 75% of articles are listed; mostly uses proper format.	10 points 75% of articles are listed; does not use proper format.	0 points 50% or less are listed.
<i>Organization</i> In proper order as follows: article, summary, defense, bibliography.	10 points Organized properly; easy to find and read articles.	8 points Organized properly, but hard to find and read articles.	/	0 points Unorganized; hard to find and read articles.
<i>Presentation</i> Articles presented creatively.	30 points Creative presentation.	20 points Basic presentation (e.g., folder).	10 points Messy presentation.	0 points Very poor presentation overall.

Total Grade: _____
(Out of 200)