

Post-Activity Homework Grading Rubric

The post-activity homework will be scored using the criteria indicated below. Refer to the Post-Activity Homework handout for an overview of the assignment and a more detailed description of expectations. NOTE: your information does not need to follow the order in this rubric.

| | Nonperformance | Basic | Exemplary |
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| <u>Content</u> | | | |
| Summary of Soil Management Strategies | Does not connect the benefits of the strategy to the soil or to monetary savings. | Benefits to soil and monetary savings are only generally addressed and not specifically described. | Presents a brief description of each strategy, description of actual benefits to the soil and specifically states how the strategy will save money. |
| Closing Paragraph | Does not link soil management to crop yields and decreased erosion and does not relate those results to potential impacts of climate change or to sustainable agriculture | Informs the reader how following this soil management strategy will either increase crop yields and decrease erosion (but not both), and/or does not explain why those results are solutions for dealing with the potential impacts of climate change and a future of sustainable agriculture | Informs the reader how following this soil management strategy will increase crop yields and decrease erosion, and explains why those results are solutions for dealing with potential impacts of climate change and contributes to a future of sustainable agriculture |
| Presentation of technical material | Technical terms are not defined and information is not accessible to a lay audience. | Some technical terms are defined correctly and information is communicated somewhat effectively for a lay audience. | All technical terms are defined correctly and information is communicated effectively for a lay audience. |
| Readability | Major grammatical and/or spelling errors. Document is disorganized and difficult to follow. | Minor grammatical and/or spelling errors. Document is somewhat difficult to follow. | Document is well organized, easy to read, and free of grammar and spelling errors. |