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CCSS.ELA.RST.9.10.7; CRP.02; CRP.04; CRP.06; CRP.07; CRP.08

An Introduction

Part 1

Directions:

An introduction section is an important component of any research paper, including a scientific research paper. Visit the University of California – Irvine website, <https://guides.lib.uci.edu/c.php?g=334338&p=2249903>, and complete the following activities.

Summarize the four components from the “Introduction Checklist” that need to be addressed in an introduction:

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4) Avoid ...
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What will you include from your study? Identify a minimum of three items:	What will you include from your study? Identify a minimum of three items:	What will you include from your study? Identify a minimum of three items:
(1)	(1)	(1)
(2)	(2)	(2)
(3)	(3)	(3)

Why do you think these checklist items are important for an introduction in a scientific research paper?



Part 2

Directions:

Think about all the components of an introduction and the items you brainstormed above, and then use the space below to develop your introduction. Be sure to include the following:

1. Why is this area of research important?
2. What has already been done? Use a minimum of three proper APA citations.
3. Why are you completing this research? Where is the gap?
4. What are the objectives?
5. Why is your research different/important?
6. How does this research impact agriculture?



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Rubric

Requirement	4	3	2	1	Score
Importance	The importance is well-written, and the reader fully understands why this study is significant.	The importance is included and sufficiently describes the importance of the research.	The importance is included but lacks clarity.	The importance is not included or lacks detail, leaving the reader unable to see the importance.	
Background/ What has already been completed?	The reader fully understands other research that has been completed in the past.	The reader understands other research that has been done; however, more examples would enhance the introduction.	Background is lacking, leaving many questions for the reader.	Insufficient background was included and leaves the reader uncertain of what has already been completed.	
APA Citations	Three or more citations included	Two citations included	One citation included	Citations not included	
Purpose	The purpose is clear, and the reader has complete understanding.	The purpose is fairly clear.	The purpose lacks some clarity.	The purpose is vague or absent.	
Objectives	The objectives are clear and concise.	The objectives are included sufficiently.	The objectives are vague.	The objectives lack clarity or are absent.	
Agriculture Connection	The connection to agriculture is evident and well-articulated.	The connection to agriculture is clear.	The connection to agriculture is vague.	The connection to agriculture is unclear or absent.	

Total: ____/24