

Term Paper Grading Form

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Paper Title:

Introduction	Points possible	Points given	Comment
Language Background -location -genetic affiliation -dialect Succinct statement of paper topic /hypothesis/issues -sufficient/insufficient to give reader and understanding of the project -hypothesis/research questions are <u>clearly stated/stated, but not clearly/not stated at all</u> references/published data sources present in correct format Method -speaker biographical information given - description of method (how data elicited) is <u>sufficient/insufficient</u> to enable reader to understand exactly how data was collected and analyzed -Methods of research were <u>well-executed/adequate/poor</u>			
Analysis Definition of problem -problem is a <u>well defined/adequately defined/not well defined</u> aspect of phonology Choice and exposition of data -clarity - data illustrates all aspects of problem (<u>enough/not enough examples</u> are given) - crucial and interesting new elicited data present - no crucial forms omitted in elicitation -exposition, e.g. data tables -transcriptions are accurate Formalization -phonological generalization accurately stated -rules refer to natural classes (where possible) -accurate use of distinctive feature -rules have names -rules are described well in words/prose statement -all relevant derivations are provided -analysis of elicited data is clear and accurate			
Conclusion -main finding of paper is clearly stated (reader comes away with main point of results) -unresolved issues are identified -what further research is necessary? (Where do you go from here?)			
Quality of writing/organization/understanding of topic The author shows <u>inadequate/acceptable/good/excellent</u> understanding of their topic area and how to interpret their results Linguistics terms are used <u>accurately/inaccurately</u> Organization of whole paper <u>aides/hinders/somewhat hinders/greatly hinders</u> in following the presentation of information Organization within paper sections and individual paragraphs <u>aides/hinders/somewhat hinders/greatly hinders</u> Tone is <u>formal/professional</u> or <u>informal</u> Page length is <u>within/not within</u> required range Bibliography -referenced in correct format -published book/academic journal Formatting that looks like tricks to 'stretch' paper is <u>not present</u>			

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