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Example Rubric for Who's Been Here Project

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Visual Observations	The data sheet provides a high degree of details regarding the area observed.	The data sheet provides a general degree of details regarding the area observed; however, there may be some areas that are more generally stated, lacking details.	The data sheet does not present a thorough set of details found in the area observed.	There is little to no evidence that the student recorded the area observed. Descriptions are vague or inaccurate.
Research	Answers most questions about the animal and its habitat and includes many other interesting facts.	Answers some questions about the animal and its habitat and includes a few other interesting facts.	Answers some questions about the animal and its habitat.	Does not answer any questions about the animal and its habitat suggested by the template.
Written Page	The pages for the class book are related to the chosen animal and allows the reader to understand evidence that an animal lives in the area.	The pages for the class book are related to the chosen animal. The sentences may not all relate, but the reader can still learn something evidence an animal may leave behind.	The pages for the class book are related to the chosen animal, but a reader does not learn much about evidence an animal may leave behind.	No attempt has been made to relate pages for the class book to the chosen animal.

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Illustrations	Original illustrations	Original illustrations for	Original illustrations for	Illustrations for the class
	for the class page are	the class page are	the class page relate to	page are not present OR
	detailed, attractive,	somewhat detailed,	the text on the page.	they are not original.
	creative and relate to	attractive, and relate to the		
	the text on the page.	text on the page.		
Collaboration	The group	The group focuses on the	The group focuses on the	The group rarely focuses
	consistently stays	task and what needs to be	task and what needs to be	on the task and what
	focused on the task	done most of the time.	done some of the time.	needs to be done. Lets
	and what needs to be	Other group members can	Other group members	others do the work.
	done. Very self-	count on this person.	must sometimes nag,	
	directed.	_	prod, and remind to keep	
			this person on-task.	
Written Data	Written explanation	Written explanation	Written explanation	There are no real
Conclusion	includes highly valid	includes generally valid	includes some	conclusions indicated in
	conclusions which	conclusions made during	conclusions; however,	either the written or oral
	are made by the	the investigation. The	they may be more	explanation. The student
	student during	conclusions may not	restatements regarding	either
	his/her investigation.	always directly relate to	concepts heard in class,	provides inaccurate
	Conclusions were	the observations/data	rather than derived from	attempts or a simple set
	supported by	collection and the support	the data. They are likely	of observations with no
	examples and data/observations	may be less detailed.	vague and general	conclusion.
	and likely included	Likely, these conclusions are not inaccurate, but	overall, and may have only minimal connection	
	cause/effect	may be vague.	to the observations/data.	
	statements.	may so tagas.	to the observations/ duties	