

International Organization Research Paper Guidelines

Directions: Your task is to use your research and writing skills to write a well-crafted informational essay on an international organization of your choice. The focus will be on the impact of that organization, specific to current events.

Here are some possible websites to use to begin your research:

World Trade Organization	https://www.wto.org/english/news_e/news_e.htm https://www.cfr.org/background/whats-next-wto
United Nations	https://www.un.org/en/events-and-news https://news.un.org/en/
International Court of Justice	https://www.icj-cij.org/list-of-all-cases https://www.icj-cij.org/cases-by-phase/intervention
North Atlantic Treaty Organization	https://www.nato.int/cps/en/natohq/news.htm https://apnews.com/hub/nato

To complete this project, you will do the following:

1. Choose the organization you will research. This list above is recommended. If you would like a different organization, you must get it approved by your teacher. Choose one that interests you.
2. Next, begin your research into that international organization using the links provided above. Your research should focus on a current event and/or issue that involves this organization.
3. After selecting a current event/issue, your research question is: ***How has this international organization impacted this current event?***
4. Begin identifying additional research resources to support your essay. You must use at least three resources total and cite sources used to support the ideas in your essay.
5. Draft your essay. Your essay must be an informational text that is supported by the evidence you have identified in your three sources.
6. Submit a rough draft to a peer for review and editing.
7. Update your draft based on the feedback you received on your rough draft.
8. Turn in the final copy.

Research Paper Scoring Rubric

Research	Points 1-10
Has sub questions to support their research question	
Records important ideas, concepts, and direct quotations from at least 3 reliable and appropriate information sources.	
The essay effectively addresses how the international organization affects the current event of your choice.	
The essay uses correct and appropriate citations for every source and includes a works cited page.	

Total Points ____/40

Organization	Points 1-15
Introduces the topic clearly and explains what is to follow in the essay. Provides a concluding paragraph that supports the information presented in the essay.	
The essay develops the points presented in the introduction through supporting paragraphs.	

Total Points ____/30

Style	Points 1-10
A formal style and objective, informational tone are used throughout.	
Appropriate language and vocabulary are used to explain the international organization and related current event.	
Appropriate and varied transitions are used to connect paragraphs and concepts.	

Total Points ____/30