**Rubric for grading research questions**

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| Exemplary Three points | GoodTwo points | FairOne point | UnsatisfactoryNo points |
| Question demonstrates a deep understanding of the topic and shows analytical and original thought. Question is well developed and appropriate to assignment.  | Question demonstrates good grasp of the topic’s depth and complexity.Question is fairly focused and relates to assignment.  | Question demonstrates minimal knowledge or depth of the topic.Question relates to assignment but is overly broad or narrow. | Research question is absent or posed as a yes/no question.Question is vague and unrelated to assignment.  |