

## Research Paper Checklist

 Name:
Have you defined all important terms?
Have you clearly answered all your research questions?
Does your background research enable you to make a prediction of what will occur in your experiment?
Will you have the knowledge to understand what causes the behavior you observe?
Does your research include the following:
- Currently accepted theories, facts, and data
- Relevant mathematics/equations (if applicable)
- Key discoveries and early researchers
Have you referenced all information copied from another source and put any phrases, sentences, or paragraphs you copied in quotation marks?
Is every fact or picture in your research paper followed by a citation telling the reader where you found the information?
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- A title page
- Your report
- Bibliography
Have you used the proper capitalization and punctuation?
Have you checked your grammar and spelling?

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