Period

## Rubric - The Balancing Act: Parenting Responsibilities Financial Research Project

Task Description: You and your spouse are preparing for the arrival of your first child. You would like to know approximately how much raising this child will cost over the course of 18 years. You will conduct research from information on the Internet to determine costs and create a realistic budget using the provided project handout as a guide.

Criteria	weight	Exceptional	Admirable	Marginal	Unacceptable
Content	25%	<ul> <li>Appropriate details support main idea</li> <li>Information adequately supports purpose of visual</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Most details support main idea</li> <li>Information is mostly adequate and supportive of visual's purpose</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Few details support main idea</li> <li>Inadequate information is not clearly supportive of visual's purpose</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No details to support main idea</li> <li>Information does not support the visual's purpose</li> </ul>
Focus	25%	<ul> <li>Topic and title are appropriate, clear and easily identified</li> <li>All illustrations complement purpose of visual</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Topic and title are mostly appropriate, clear and easily identified</li> <li>Most illustrations complement purpose of visual</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Topic and title are difficult to identify</li> <li>Few illustrations complement purpose of visual</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Topic and title are not clearly identified</li> <li>Illustrations do not complement purpose of visual</li> </ul>
Visual Appeal	25%	<ul> <li>Outstanding use of color, design and space</li> <li>Overall design is pleasing and harmonious</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Adequate use of color, design and space</li> <li>Overall design is mostly pleasing and harmonious</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Inappropriate use of color, design and space</li> <li>Lack of harmonious design in presentation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Little attempt to use color, design and space appropriately</li> <li>Project has sloppy appearance</li> </ul>
Mechanics	25%	<ul> <li>Free of grammatical errors</li> <li>Words are legible and pertinent to topic</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Mostly free of grammatical errors</li> <li>Most words are legible and pertinent to topic</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Frequent grammatical errors</li> <li>Few words are illegible and confusing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Too frequent grammatical errors</li> <li>Distractive elements make illustration ineffective</li> </ul>

Assignment Score \_\_\_\_\_

+ Beyonder/Bonus \_\_\_\_\_

Final Score

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