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| Criteria | High Distinction | Distinction | Credit | Pass | Fail |
| Introduction: Applies theoretical framework/s to topic | 15 points  Articulates a compelling justification for investigating the phenomenon.  (12-15 points) | 10.5 points  Articulates a strong justification for investigating the phenomenon.  (10.5-11.5 points) | 9 points  Articulates a strong justification for investigating the phenomenon.  (9-10 points) | 7.5 points  Identifies the importance of the phenomenon  (7.5-8.5 points) | 0 points  Provides a minimal justification for investigating the phenomenon  (0-7 points) |
| Part 2: Applies theoretical framework/s to topic | 15 points  Articulates a compelling justification for investigating the phenomenon.  (12-15 points) | 10.5 points  Articulates a strong justification for investigating the phenomenon.  (10.5-11.5 points) | 9 points  Articulates a strong justification for investigating the phenomenon.  (9-10 points) | 7.5 points  Identifies the importance of the phenomenon  (7.5-8.5 points) | 0 points  Provides a minimal justification for investigating the phenomenon  (0-7 points) |
| Part 3: Applies theoretical framework/s to topic | 15 points  Articulates a compelling justification for investigating the phenomenon.  (12-15 points) | 10.5 points  Articulates a strong justification for investigating the phenomenon.  (10.5-11.5 points) | 9 points  Articulates a strong justification for investigating the phenomenon.  (9-10 points) | 7.5 points  Identifies the importance of the phenomenon  (7.5-8.5 points) | 0 points  Provides a minimal justification for investigating the phenomenon  (0-7 points) |