



**Computer Science Honours
Introduction to Research Methods
Phase 1 (Literature Review)— Document Comment Sheet**

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	Out of	Mark	Comments (optional)
<i>Structure and Style</i>			
General structure			
Is the document broken into appropriate sections and subsections for a literature review chapter?	2		
Are the sections and subsections numbered appropriately?	1		
Is there an introduction?	1		
Is there a conclusion/summary section?	1		
General flow			
Does the chapter flow logically from one section to the next?	3		
Does the reader know why the material is being presented in the order that it is presented?	2		
Use of language			
Is it written in decent English with correct spelling?	2		
Is the punctuation correct?	2		
Have words been used correctly?	1		

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<i>Presentation</i>			
The “look” of the document — general layout, diagrams, etc.	3		
<i>Introduction</i>			
Does the introduction act as a reasonable starting point for a literature review chapter?	2		
Does it introduce the problem area?	2		
Does it introduce the research question?	2		
Does it give an overview of the form or layout of the remainder of the chapter?	2		
Is it at the right level as regards technical content?	2		

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<i>Main body</i>			
Understanding Does the student display an understanding of the material?	5		
Coherence Is the material presented in a coherent style?	3		
Is the material presented in a manner which shows the interrelationships of the material from different sources? (The student should not simply be summarising the papers but should be integrating the information from the different sources in a well-considered, logical fashion.)	2		
Completeness Has the student correctly and completely extracted the important concepts, results, etc. from the material being studied?	3		
Relation to Research Question Has the material which has been presented been related to the research question?	3		
Has non-related material been left out?	2		

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<i>Conclusion</i>			
Does the conclusion/summary present the most important points of the material covered as related to the research question?	3		
Does the conclusion tie the main points of the chapter together in a logical and coherent fashion.	2		

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<i>Citations and references</i>			
Have they been used?	1		
Have references been cited correctly?	1		
Is the reference list complete, i.e., does it contain all the information which it should for each reference?	3		
<i>Plagiarism</i>			
All directly copied material has quotes, citation and page number.	2		
The phrasing is sufficiently different from the original text.	2		

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