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| **Content**                 | Outstanding: The three required blog entries cover the following topics about the mathematician and his/her life:  
• **biographical information** - childhood, education, family, etc.  
• **historical context** (what was happening culturally, politically, etc.) and events that inspired or motivated him/her,  
• **key people in his/her life** (i.e. family members, important colleagues and/or contemporaries, and other influential people)  
• an appropriate description of the mathematician’s contributions to math or science, and  
• the impact and relevance of his/her contribution to math today.  
The content of the entries creates a full picture of the mathematician and is not just a list of facts; it demonstrates that the writer has done his/her research and has a solid understanding of the mathematician’s life.  

Satisfactory: The blog entries include **some** information about the mathematician’s life, but they are lacking some of the key components. The information is presented in a way that is somewhat easy to understand but more could be done to demonstrate a personal understanding of the mathematician.  

Room for Improvement: The blog entries include only surface information about the life of the mathematician, and they are written in a way that shows little understanding of his/her life. | |
| **Creativity and Images**   | Each blog entry is written from the mathematician’s perspective and creatively depicts the life and time of the mathematician. The blog entries are fun to read and keep the reader’s interest. There are at least 3 images included as a way of enhancing the reader’s understanding of the life of the mathematician and the time in which he/she lived.  
The blog entries are unique and do not simply repeat information.  

Satisfactory: More could have been done to make the mathematician “come alive” for the reader. The voice and personality of the mathematician are present at times but not consistently. There are fewer than 3 images or the images used do not enhance one’s understanding of the mathematician.  

Room for Improvement: The blog entries seem like a download of miscellaneous facts that don’t necessarily link together. The entries are boring and do not depict a true understanding of the personality of the mathematician. There are no images used. | |
| **Organization**            | Each blog entry is organized in such a way that it is easy to follow. There is a clear purpose to each entry and the sentences flow from one to another. Correct paragraph structure is used throughout and appropriate transitions are used to tie the ideas together. Blog entries are unique and do not simply repeat information.  
The blog entries show some organization, but more could be done to create a logical flow of ideas. There is some structure but links between ideas are not as clear as they could be.  

Room for Improvement: The blog entries lack organization. Sentences are not organized into clear paragraphs. There is no clear structure/flow. | |
| **Grammar**                 | The writer uses full sentences, correct spelling, punctuation, and capitalization consistently.  
The writer often uses full sentences, correct spelling, punctuation, and capitalization, but it is somewhat inconsistent (3 or more errors).  

Room for Improvement: The blog entries include several spelling, punctuation, capitalization, and/or grammatical errors. | |
| **Met Deliverables**        | Met the requirements of deliverables, including three blog entries of **at least 450 words** each (we can easily check word count!), 12-14 point font (no bigger), and all materials are submitted on time.  

Satisfactory: Missing a part or parts of the deliverable details and/or the blog entries were not submitted on time.  

Room for Improvement: Did not follow deliverable details. | |