Due Date: __________________________

Oral Report

You will be responsible for reading and reporting orally to the class on a current issue in Biology. These reviews will require a little research time on your part to go along with an article. You may select an article of your own as long as it is approved by the instructor and added to the reporting calendar. It must be a scientific paper, not a news or magazine article. The article review will be on a date which corresponds to the pertinent lecture material. It will be limited to 5-7 minutes. You may present it with a lab partner or by yourself (no more than two people per article). You should include opposing views from both sides of the main thesis.

A visual aid, such as an overhead, poster, picture, table or graph will be required for full credit.

30 points will be earned by information you present from the article. You must include the following information:
1. The major thesis of the article
2. Data provided by the author
3. Pertinent conclusions expressed in the article
4. The impact of this issue on society today
5. Your opinion of the issues in the article (including relevance, use of the scientific method, balance between pro and con opinions, etc)

10 points will be earned on delivery
1. Overall delivery, eye contact, voice clarity etc.
2. Use of visual aids, posters, overheads, graphics, etc.
3. Any creative additions you wish to make
4. Preparation - is everything available and ready before the presentation time.

10 points will be earned by additionally submitted information
1. Presentation of different view points with regards to the issue
2. Presentation of related news or journal articles that are current
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