

AMERICAN FEDERATION OF MINERALOGICAL SOCIETIES
Score Sheet for **ORIGINAL ADULT ARTICLES ADVANCED**

Federation:	E-Bulletin?	Date Published: Month	Year
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Author:			
Club Editor:			
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City:	State:	Zip:	
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ITEMS SCORED: (No award or penalty for color reproduction)

	Pts.	Deductions
1. AUTHOR'S STYLE & LANGUAGE (Maximum – 20 points)		
A. Title catchy and/or appropriate	3	
B. Author identified	3	
C. Writing interesting, easily understood, spelling & grammar correct/appropriate	10	
D. Free from irrelevant material and distortion	4	

2. ARTICLE QUALITY: Subject appropriate, of general or special interest (Max – 20 points)		
Judges -- Score only one section – circle A, B, C, D, or E		
A. Informational (How-to, identification, lapidary, historical, etc.)	20	
B. Science (Mineralogy, geology, paleontology, etc.)		
C. Collecting areas, old or new; Includes technical data (Not travelogue)		
D. Club activities/member interests (editorials, shows, community/civic/schools)		
E. Humor (must be hobby related)		

3. AUTHOR'S EFFORT (Maximum – 40 points)		
Select A-1 or A-2 or A-3 and circle the selection:		
A-1. Research required or information drawn from books, magazines, internet, etc.	10	
A-2. Drawn from actual experience or observation		
A-3. Combination of experience/observation and research		
B. No apparent copyright violations	5	
C. References given for technical data, quotations/illustrations credited, etc.	10	
D. Appears to be accurate, facts seem correct	5	
E. Subject adequately covered for purpose intended; long enough so important facts are not omitted, no longer than necessary	10	

4. EDUCATIONAL VALUE (Maximum – 20 points)	20	
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	Total Deductions:	
	Total Points Awarded:	

AFMS Judge _____
Judge's comments on back of sheet.

Checked by _____