Name..... Area of Inv..... Date.....

AREA EVALUATION CHECKLIST		✓	COMMENTS
I. COHERENCE OF AREA ***What is the area of investigation?***	The researcher can speak and write about the Area of Investigation in a way that makes sense to others and is clearly understood.		
II. SCOPE OF AREA ***What do I need to know to gain an understanding of the area of investigation?***	The questions necessary to investigate for gaining an understanding require more than a quick review of easily accessed sources. The questions are reasonable enough so that the researcher is likely to find credible sources that address the issue in the time allotted for research.		
III. RELEVANCE OF AREA ***How is this Area of Investigation related to a larger topic?***	The Area of Investigation is relevant to the larger topic.		
IV. INTEREST IN AREA ***Why are you interested in this Area of Investigation?***	The researcher is able to communicate genuine interest in the Area of Investigation. Gaining an understanding of the area would be valuable for the student.		

In one or two sentences express the potential area of investigation in the form of a problem or overarching question:

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