Grading Rubric

	Exceeds Expectations	Meets Expectations	Needs improvement
Writing / Content / Ideas (5 Points)	Your post has a **"critical edge,"** meaning that you pay attention to complexity, contradictions, and nuance. You challenge taken-for-granted assumptions, shed new light on old topics, and/or explore alternative viewpoints. You include **specific, detailed examples**, and approach the topic from an **interesting or exciting viewpoint**.	Your post notes some complexity, contradictions, and nuance, but could move to the next level by challenging taken-for-granted assumptions, shedding new light on old topics, or exploring alternative viewpoints. You include examples but they may be lacking in appropriate detail.	Your post lacks attention to complexity, contradictions, and nuance, and instead focuses on a single perspective and/or generalizations. To improve in this area, seek a more innovative viewpoint. Your post may also be lacking in detailed examples.
Professionalism (5 points)	Your post follows the basic rules for clear writing. Your post is thoroughly **proofread**, and is well-written in an appropriately **professional tone**. You include **proper citations** as needed. Your post **meets all requirements** (length, number of sources, etc.).	Your post follows the basic rules for clear writing and is generally well-written, but it has a few proofreading errors and/or is missing citations. The tone is appropriately professional. Your post meets all or most requirements (length, number of sources, etc.).	Your post would be stronger if you invested more time in proofreading and revisions. You may also be missing citations or be writing in too informal of a tone. Your post may not have met all of the requirements (length, number of sources, etc.).
Skill Practice (5 Pts)	Includes a dataset that includes all the necessary components. You paid attention to detail in your dataset, cleaning up errors, properly separating the values, using the proper .csv format, and geocoded.	Includes dataset with necessary components, but may have small formatting, proofreading, or other minor errors.	Includes incomplete dataset and/or little attention paid to details within and/or many formatting/proofreading errors and/or dataset missing or improperly linked.