

SOUTH CENTRAL FEDERATION OF MINERAL SOCIETIES
Score Sheet for **ORIGINAL ADULT ARTICLES ADVANCED**

<i>Federation:</i>	<i>Date Published:</i> Month		Year
<i>Title:</i>			
<i>Author:</i>			
<i>Club Editor:</i>			
<i>Editor's Address:</i>			
<i>City:</i>	<i>State:</i>	<i>Zip:</i>	
<i>Club Name:</i>			
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ITEMS SCORED: (No award or penalty for color reproduction)

	<i>Pts.</i>	<i>Deductions</i>
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)		
<i>Judges -- Score only one section – circle A, B, C, D, or E</i>		
A. Informational (<i>How-to, identification, lapidary, historical, etc.</i>)	20	
B. Science (<i>Mineralogy, geology, paleontology, etc.</i>)		
C. Collecting areas, old or new; Includes technical data (<i>Not travelogue</i>)		
D. Club activities/member interests (<i>editorials, shows, community/civic/schools</i>)		
E. Humor (<i>must be hobby related</i>)		
3. AUTHOR'S EFFORT (Maximum – 40 points)		
<i>Select A-1 or A-2 or A-3 and circle the selection:</i>		
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	

	Total Deductions:	
	Total Points Awarded:	

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

Checked by _____