

University of Muenster, English Department, Chair of Book Studies (Prof. Dr. Corinna Norrick-Rühl): **Grading sheet for term papers (B.A. and M.A.)**

Category and Expectations	1.0-1.3 (excellent)	1.7-2.3 (good)	2.7-3.3 (satisfactory)	3.7-4.0 (sufficient)	5.0 (fail) ¹	Notes
Introduction / research question(s) An excellent introduction draws the reader in, clearly lays out the research question, and discusses existing research. The research question is clearly Book Studies-focused.						
Methodology / work with sources and references Student has clearly reflected on their method, using appropriate sources and references. The paper is well-researched.						
Structure and argumentation An excellent paper is structured logically, with argumentation focused on the research question, staying on-topic. The student has an analytical approach.						
Conclusion An excellent conclusion is cohesive, offers perspectives for future research, and positions the term paper in the field of Book Studies.						
Style and voice The style and voice are academic, and appropriate to the audience and purpose of the paper. Sentences are clear and paragraphs are well structured.						
Grammar, usage, mechanics Spelling, punctuation, grammar. Word choice is specific, using correct Book Studies Terminology.						
Citation format, layout, formalities Consistent, adheres to one chosen format (preferably the Book Studies style sheet.)						

Further comments:

Final grade: _____

¹ Please note that a paper that has received a 5.0 (fail) in one of these categories will not pass.

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