

**CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF MINERALOGICAL SOCIETIES
2017 Bulletin Contest Score Sheet – ORIGINAL ARTICLE – ADULT ADVANCED**

Article Title _____ Published: Month _____, 2016
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Category for experienced writers who have won a first place trophy for an Adult Article; or have earned a living in an earth science field; or have had an article or book published.

Judges: No award or penalty for color reproduction

Pts. Deductions

1. AUTHOR'S STYLE & LANGUAGE (Maximum points – 20)

- 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.points – 20)

Judges – Score only one section – circle (A, B, C, D or E):

- A. Informational (*How-to, identification, lapidary, historical, etc.*)
 - OR B. Science (*Mineralogy, geology, paleontology, etc.*)
 - OR C. Collecting areas, old or new; Includes technical data (*Not travelogue*)
 - OR D. Club activities/member interests (*editorials, shows, community/civic/schools*)
 - OR E. Humor (*must be hobby related*)
- } ⇒ 20 _____

3. AUTHOR'S EFFORT (Maximum – 40 points)

Judges – Score only one section – circle (A-1, A-2, or A-3):

- A-1 Research required or information drawn from books, magazines, internet, etc. } ⇒ 10 _____
- OR A-2 Drawn from actual experience or observation
- OR 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 points – 20)..... 20 _____

(From 100 maximum points) **Total Deductions:** _____

Total Score: _____

CFMS Judge _____ Checked by _____

Judge's comments on back of form or attach typed sheet