Rubric for Weekly Written Assignments (+30 points per)

Characteristic	Target	Acceptable	Unacceptable
Understanding of the problem	Showed through graphs, mathematical language, or other means a complete understanding of the problem. +5 pts	Showed enough understanding to begin solving the problem in a logical manner. +3 pts	Misunderstood the problem enough to cause errors in processes used to solve the problem. +1 pts
Strategy chosen and applied	Reasonable strategy selected and developed. Content knowledge is used correctly. +5 pts	Reasonable strategy selected, moderately developed. Content knowledge used appropriately, with minor computation errors.	There is an attempt to solve the problem. No strategy is applied that could lead to an answer. Uses no content knowledge or content knowledge with conceptual errors. +1 pt
Calculations performed	Calculated the correct answer. Work shown is logical. Calculations are completely correct and answers properly labeled. Use of correct formulas is important.	Work shown has gaps. Calculations are mostly correct, may contain minor errors. Correct formulas recognized, perhaps not used correctly.	Attempted to solve the problem. A limited amount of work is shown. Calculations are completely incorrect or contain major errors leading to an incorrect answer.
Correct answer	+5 pts Arrived at a correct answer, was able to extrapolate beyond the simple question.	+3 pts Arrived at incorrect answer that comes from computation errors, or was unable to extrapolate beyond the simple question.	+1 pt Arrived at incorrect answer or correct answer that comes from conceptual errors.
	+5 pts	+3 pts	+1 pt
Explanation of strategy for solving the problem	Adequately explained the answer. Exemplary explanation. Detailed and clear, examples may have been provided. Mastery of concept with ability to go beyond the simple answer.	Adequately explained the strategy but did not calculate the correct answer. Explanation contained adequate details and clarity, but may not express the ability to understand general consequences to	Attempted an explanation, but incorrect or unclear. Lacks details. Unable to describe the consequences of a solution to this problem.
	+5 pts	problem's solution. +3 pts	+1 pt

	Uses mathematical	Uses mathematical	Uses little or no
	language, graphs, and	language, graphs, and	mathematical language,
	other items,	other items, correctly,	graphs, or other methods
	appropriately. Solution	but may contain	to communicate.
Communication	is presented in a clear	transcription or	Presents the problem in
	and orderly manner so	computational errors.	an unclear manner, steps
	the reader can follow	Solution is presented in	are missing or out of
	the flow of the solution	a manner so the scorer	sequence. Scorer has
	and final answer.	can follow most of the	difficulty following the
	Proper use of	steps in the solution and	sequence of steps.
	technology to get	final answer.	Inability to use
	assignment to scorer in	Technology not used to	technology to ensure
	a timely manner.	the best of student's	scorer has the most
		ability to impart	presentable
		information to scorer.	
	+5 pts	+3 pts	+1 pt