Concept Map Rubric

	Exemplary 4	Exceeds Standard 3	Adequately Meets Standard 2	Below Standard 1
Organization	 Well organized Logical format Contains main concepts All key words and concepts necessary to promote an overview of the unit are used and well organized to give added meaning. 	 Thoughtfully organized Easy to follow most of the time Contains most of the main concepts Most key words and concepts from the units are covered in a meaningful way and are thoughtfully organized. 	 Somewhat organized Somewhat incoherent Contains only a few of the main concepts Many key words and concepts from the unit are covered and are somewhat organized. 	 Choppy and confusing Contains a limited number of concepts Many key words and concepts from the unit are missing.
Content, Concepts and Terminology	 Shows an understanding of the topic's concepts and principles and uses appropriate terminology and notations No misconceptions/errors evident. 	Makes some mistakes in terminology or shows a few misunderstandings of concepts Few misconceptions are evident.	 Makes many mistakes in terminology and shows a lack of understanding of many concepts Some misconceptions are evident. 	 Shows no understanding of the topic's concepts and principles Many misconceptions are evident.
Connections and Knowledge of the Relationships among Concepts	All words accurately connected. Connections indicate superior organization/ understanding and enhance meaning. Arrows easily connect concepts in an informative manner. Identifies all the important concepts and shows an understanding of the relationships among them Meaningful and original insights demonstrated	All words accurately connected. Connections are clear and logical. They connect concepts to promote clarity and convey meaning. Identifies important concepts but makes some incorrect connections Some meaningful connections made	 Most words accurately connected. Connections are somewhat clear and convey some meaning. Makes some incorrect connections 	 Some words accurately connected. Connections aren't clear, they convey little meaning and do not promote clarity. Fails to use any appropriate concepts or appropriate connection