Module 1: What Is Oceanography? Topic 1 Application: Formation of the Oceans Timeline Rubric

	20 Points	15 Points	10 Points	5 Points
Ordering of Major Events	All eight major events are in the correct order on the timeline.	Six or more of the major events are in the correct order on the timeline.	Four or more of the major events are in the correct order on the timeline.	Less than four of the major events are in the correct order on the timeline.
Descriptions of Major Events	All eight major events include thorough descriptions of their relevant characteristics.	Six or more of the major events include thorough descriptions of their relevant characteristics.	Four or more of the major events include thorough descriptions of their relevant characteristics.	Less than four of the major events include thorough descriptions of their relevant characteristics.
Graphics and Labels	All major events on the timeline have appropriate and recognizable graphics with accurate labels.	Six or more of the major events on the timeline have appropriate and recognizable graphics with accurate labels.	Four or more of the major events on the timeline have appropriate and recognizable graphics with accurate labels.	Less than four of the major events on the timeline have appropriate and recognizable graphics with accurate labels.
Clarity and Neatness	The timeline is clear and neat. It reflects a thorough understanding of the topic; someone with little knowledge of oceanography could interpret timeline easily.	The timeline is clear and neat. It reflects a basic understanding of the topic; with some clarification, someone with little knowledge of oceanography could interpret timeline easily.	There are issues with the clarity and neatness of the timeline. One or more elements are confusing.	The timeline is unclear and confusing.
Spelling and Grammar	The timeline is free from spelling or grammar errors.	The timeline has one to two spelling or grammar errors.	The timeline has three to four spelling or grammar errors.	The timeline has more than five spelling or grammar errors.

