Hi Guys,

Below, I’m giving you some feedback on lab 3. I’m giving you this because I want you to take my advice so that you can improve on lab 4. **Also, remember that lab 4 is not due until Monday the 8th.**

**Intro**

Say why it’s important and why it should be studied.

The background, definition, and why it is important should go at the beginning.

When you mention previous research, you need to provide references.

Do not bring up your study until the end of the intro.

**Methods**

Use metric.

If you have pictures, refer to them as Figures, not images.

Don’t present data/results in your methods.

Get the details correct. It doesn’t look good when you don’t remember what you did and I do.

**Results**

Report your stats. How did you analyze the data? What was your p?

If you didn’t do stats, don’t worry about it.

Your tables and figures have to go in order. The one you refer to first has to be Figure 1 or Table 1. The one you refer to second is Figure 2 or Table 2, etc.

Discussion

Relate your findings to those of other researchers. Do your findings agree with those of previous studies?

Provide alternate explanations for your results. Is there some other reason why you got the results you did?

Small n… why is this a weakness? **You can’t generalize your findings.**

You’ll likely have plenty of other weaknesses too. You have to think about this.

Come up with unique strengths of your study, not just things that are found in all studies like yours.

General

Don’t include initials when you make a citation in the text.

Figures and Tables come after the paragraph in which you first you first refer to them.

Don’t be colloquial, but avoid big, obscure words (you don’t need to use a thesaurus). Find the balance.

Avoid conjunctions (can’t, wouldn’t, etc).

**FINALLY AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, DO NOT COPY AND PASTE FROM OTHER ARTICLES. YOU HAVE TO PUT THESE IDEAS TOGETHER YOURSELF.**

**GOOD LUCK.**