

Informational Text Evaluation Form

Instructions: Evaluate the informational text you have chosen using the form below.

Title of Text: What is Electricity?

Type of Informational Text: 1st grade Science

Part 1: Authority of the Author	YES	NO
Is the author or website publisher identified?	X	
Does the author or publisher have expertise in the topic?	X	
Part 2: Accuracy	YES	NO
Are the text and pictures accurate?	X	
Are there references or a bibliography that validates the information?		X
Does the book or website explore more than one side of an issue, or does it represent only one point of view?	X	
Does it appear to be biased?		X
Is the information current?	X	
Part 3: Appropriateness	YES	NO
Is the level of difficulty and writing style appropriate to the audience?	X	
Is the book or website well organized and easy to navigate?	X	
Do the pictures and visuals support the text?	X	
Are there headings to aid the reader?		X
Part 4: Literary Artistry	YES	NO
Did the author use a "hook" to get you into the text?	X	
Did the author use examples, analogies, or metaphors and similes to keep you interested?		X
Part 5: Kid Appeal	YES	NO
Does the text have interesting visuals?	X	
Would you pick up the book or go to the website on your own?	X	