

The Health & Literacy Special Collection

Rating Worksheet: Curricula/Teaching Materials

Total Score:

Scoring: 0 = poor
1 = good
2 = excellent
Total score of 30 or more passes.

Name of Material or Site: _____

Site Address (URL): _____

Reviewed by: _____

Date Reviewed: _____

Clarity and Ease-of-use

Look at the web design and user-friendliness of the site.

- The home page is welcoming and makes the purpose of the site clear.
- The site is easy to navigate and understand.
- The links are well-categorized and clearly labeled.

Look at the layout of the information on the site itself, *and* on other materials such as printable or downloadable fact sheets, quizzes, or pictures.

- The writing is simple, clear and non-technical.
- The text is well organized and contains enough white space to make it easy to read.
- The font is big enough to be easy to read.
- There are enough graphics and colors to make the materials appealing to learners.

Comments: _____

Content

Look at the information presented in the site.

- The health content is accurate, based on my knowledge.
- The creator of the material/site is reputable and reliable.
- The material/site has been created or updated recently. (Score 2 if within 1 year, 1 if within 2 years, and 0 if within 3 or more years.)
- The material/site does not present a biased view of the information presented.
- The creators do not benefit financially from the use of the material/site.

Comments: _____

Multi-cultural Sensitivity

Look at how the material/site portrays people, customs, language and economic status. Look for the following characteristics:

- No obvious stereotypes are portrayed.
- Pictures depict people and/or customs from a variety of races and/or cultures.
or:
Pictures, language, and content target a specific culture.
- The material/site addresses the issue of cultural diversity or sensitivity.

Comments: _____

Quality as an Educational Resource

Look at the site in terms of its educational philosophy, practicality, and usefulness.

- This material/site reflects current research and professional wisdom in its approach to teaching basic literacy skills.
- This material/site reflects current research and professional wisdom in its approach to helping learners change their behavior in order to take better care of their health.
- This material/site can be easily used or adapted for a variety of educational levels.
- This material/site can be easily used or adapted for a variety of teaching situations (i.e. small class, big class, tutoring, etc.)
- This material/site can challenge learners to think, reflect, discuss, hypothesize, etc.

Comments: _____

Extra Credit

Score 5 extra points

Does this material have unique or outstanding qualities that warrant special recognition?

- Multi-Media Extra Credit**
Is there creative or innovative use of audio, video, or other technological features? Please explain:

Language Extra Credit

Is this material/site written in a language other than English, or does it include information in a variety of languages? Please explain:

Other

Please explain if this resource has other truly unique qualities that deserve extra credit.

**Add scores from all boxes, including Extra Credit.
Write total score in box on page 1.**