Textbook and Instructional Material Evaluation Rubric Form- English Language Arts

Instructional materials are designed for use by students and teachers as a learning resource for students to acquire essential knowledge, skills, abilities, and dispositions. This includes print and non-print materials, including comprehensive/core textbooks, supplemental materials, Web-based and electronic textbooks, and assessments.

Title: Fountas and Pinnell Author(s): Fountas and Pinr Publisher(s): Heinemann

Copyright Date: Subject/Grade Level: Kindergarten

Student ISBN:

Teacher Edition ISBN:

Instructions: Use the tables below to determine if the Textbook or Instructional material meets each criteria.

Organization

Criteria	2 Meets	1 Inadequate	Comments
1. Material provides a useful table of contents, glossary, supplemental pages, and index.	X		Very comprehensive and organized guides and component systems,
2. Layout is consistent; chapters/units are arranged logically; and allow access through multiple modalities.	X		Well done.
3. Teacher edition contains interesting introductions and a list of prerequisites skills for each chapter.	X		Literacy Continuum provides developmental guideline for skills /lessons.
4. Material contains examples, explanations, and/or online resources to the depth and breadth of the Nevada Academic Content Standards.	X		
5. Information is accurate, current, and research-based.	X		
6. Focus of academic and domain specific vocabulary is prevalent throughout reading, writing, listening, and speaking.	X		
7. Size and format of print is appropriate.	X		
8. Format is visually appealing & interesting.	X		Well Done.
9. Material provides Smarter Balanced assessment type questions and/or performance-based tasks.	X		Performance based tasks supported in embedded procedures and routines , integral to lessons across lesson components
10. Electronic and interactive format available.	X		
Other: _____			
Total Organization:			

English Language Arts Content

Criteria	2 Meets	1 Inadequate	Comments
11. Materials focus on the knowledge, skills, and abilities (KSAs) appropriate to the grade level.	X		Lessons ordered by developmental readiness of kindergarteners throughout the year with distinctior
12. Material demonstrates coherence and rigor of KSAs appropriate to grade level.	X		Cohesive and rigorous curriculum.
13. Real-world applications are relevant to the students.	X		
14. Information and directions are clearly written and explained.	X		Well written and and organized for effective teacher use.
15. Tasks are aligned to the anchor standards of the Nevada Academic Content Standards.	X		
16. Non-text content (maps, graphs, pictures, etc.) are accurate, authentic, and well integrated into the instructional material.	X		Quality elements well integrated.
17. Lessons/tasks are interdisciplinary when appropriate.	X		Augment only; not a comprehensive program for science of=r social studies curriculum.
18. Tasks apply to the diversity of students and their abilities, interests, and learning styles.	X		Engaging and diverse topics/materials.
19. Questions and tasks encourage the development and application of higher-level thinking skills.	X		
20. Teacher edition includes questioning strategies and/or questions to check for understanding at all Depth of Knowledge (DOK) levels.	X		Leveled questioning opportunities embedded in program component structure.
21. Teacher edition includes formative assessment/evaluation tools and processes.	X		
22. Material adheres to the text complexity at each grade level outlined by the Nevada Academic Content Standards.	X		
23. Material provides access to or demonstrates concepts in multiple ways, allowing for a variety of student responses.	X		
24. Tasks have a purpose, aligned to a skill or concept at grade level.	X		Learning goals and teacher selection of learning goals supported by teacher guides.
25. Range and quality of text at each grade level is addressed with a well-balanced representation of literary and informational texts.	X		
26. Material includes application of skills and concepts at grade level.	X		
27. Material makes it clear that student writing is a key task (argument, informative, response to audience and purpose, short focused research).	X		Writing opportunities provided daily through embedded program components.
28. Content includes 21st Century skill development such as collaboration, creative thinking, and problem solving.	X		Component routines provide opportunities for collaboration and development of self-management ar
Other: _____			
Total ELA Content Criteria:			

Inclusion

Criteria	2 Meets	1 Inadequate	Comments
29. Material reflects a variety of ways to differentiate instruction and model content to support all learners.	X		Differentiation and lesson extension opportunities present in each program component.
30. Material reflects sensitivity with regard to gender, race/ethnicity, religion, socio-economic status, intellectual, and physical abilities.	X		Survey of GR lit materials found specific evidence of gender and race inclusion for representations of self(reader) Example for GR - level A/40 texts reviewed - 15:M, 12:F W/exclusive: 8 Nonexclusive W:20
31. Material includes access to a multilingual glossary.		X	Not readily found.
32. Material provides resources for students with disabilities and English Language Learners aligned to grade level content.	X		Differentiation opportunities included in each lesson provide support of ELLs, accessing students with differing learning m
33. Material is available for students with visual impairments via a NIMAS file on the NIMAC system.		X	Not readily found.
Other: _____			
Total Inclusion Criteria:	X		

Alignment

Criteria	2 Meets	1 Inadequate	Comments
34. Material content aligns to district/organization curriculum.	X		
35. Material content aligns with college and career readiness skills (Nevada Academic Content Standards).	X		
36. Material is a useful resource in preparing students to meet the requirements of the Nevada Academic Content Standards and statewide assessments.	X		
Other: _____			
Total Alignment Criteria:			

Total Score for ELA Textbook or Instructional Material: _____