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Activity Book Category Rating Sheet

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JUDGE'S NAME _____ CODE# _____

TITLE OF WORK _____

Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Is the books main theme or message clearly identifiable _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the books main theme or message (include grammar)? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its theme message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate, inspire or entertain? _____ 1-10

Rate the drawings, puzzles, activities, etc. Consider graphics, clarity of instruction and mechanics (do they work?) _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.?
 _____ 1-10

TOTAL _____ 8-80

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book clearly convey a worthwhile message about or deliver information about an animal(s) or pet(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the books main message? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate, inspire or entertain? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

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Does the book clearly represent a fine art (painting, pottery, drawing, etc.), cultural art or performing art (music, dance or acting, etc.) with easily understood instructions or concepts? _____ 1-10

How accurately does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the book's subject? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book present its subject? _____ 1-10

Does the book inspire an appreciation for the arts and/or culture? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

How engagingly is the biographical material presented? _____ 1-10

How accurate are the facts, statistics and information? _____ 1-10

How well does the writing help the reader visualize the book's biographical subject and time period of the person's life? _____ 1-10

Does the book give readers insight on and understanding of the subject's personality, opinions, preferences, disposition, etc. _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative and other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Is the books main theme or message clearly identifiable _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative, and photos and/or illustrations support the books main theme or message? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its theme message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate, inspire or entertain? _____ 1-10

Rate the writing technique and grammar? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.?
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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

- How compelling are the plot and major conflicts? _____ 1-10
- How interesting and believable are the characters? _____ 1-10
- How well do the setting and tone contribute to the story? _____ 1-10
- How valuable are the concept and/or theme? _____ 1-10
- How integrated are dialogue, narrative, and other writing techniques? _____ 1-10
- Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10
- Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10
- Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.? _____ 1-10
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TITLE OF WORK _____

Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book encourage readers to be charitable, giving, help others, etc. to make a positive difference for humankind or a worthy cause? _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the book's main message? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate and/or inspire? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.?
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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book clearly convey a worthwhile message about or deliver information about a hobby or collecting? _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, support the hobby or collection? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate, inspire or entertain? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.? _____ 1-10

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the cover art flow well from front to back, and is the spine easily read? _____ 1-10

Does the cover catch the eye, and entice one to pick up the book? _____ 1-10

Does the cover make good use of art (photography, graphics, drawings, etc)? _____ 1-10

Does the message the cover conveys match or complement the message intended by the book's interior writing/story? _____ 1-10

Is everything on the cover grammatically correct? _____ 1-10

Are the title and author's name displayed on the cover in a way that makes them easily identifiable? _____ 1-10

Is the cover appealing within the context of the book's subject/genre? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.? _____ 1-10

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book encourage readers to be understanding and/or appreciative of other cultures, societal differences, races and/or ethnicities? _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the book's main message? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate and/or inspire? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.? _____ 1-10

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book clearly educate readers on a specific subject or give clear instructions on how to do something? _____ 1-10

How well does information presented and/or narrative support the book's main message? _____ 1-10

How easy is it to understand the book's concepts or follow instructions? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book educate and/or instruct? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.?
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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

- Does the book encourage readers to be environmentally friendly, urge them to do their part in taking care of Mother Earth or address an important environmental issue? _____ 1-10
- How well does information presented support the books main point/argument? _____ 1-10
- How engagingly does the book convey important environmental information? _____ 1-10
- How valuable are the book's concepts and themes? _____ 1-10
- How integrated are dialogue, narrative and other writing techniques? _____ 1-10
- Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10
- Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10
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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book clearly address exercise or physical fitness and give readers valuable information or suggestions on the subject? _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the book's subject? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book present its subject? _____ 1-10

Does the book inspire readers to exercise and/or be physically fit? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book clearly address a family matter(s) such as divorce, adoption, a new sibling, moving, etc. and give the reader valuable information or suggestions on the subject? _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the book's main message? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate and/or inspire? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

How compelling are the plots and major conflicts? _____ 1-10

How interesting and believable are the characters? _____ 1-10

How well do the setting and tone contribute to the stories? _____ 1-10

How valuable are the concepts and themes? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative, and other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

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How interesting and believable are the characters? _____ 1-10

How well do the setting and tone contribute to the story? _____ 1-10

How valuable are the concept and theme? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative, and other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.?
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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book clearly convey a message about food, cooking or cuisine? _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, support the books main message? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its theme and/or message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate, inspire or entertain? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Note: if a cookbook, make note of clarity of instructions

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.? _____ 1-10

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JUDGE'S NAME _____ CODE# _____

TITLE OF WORK _____

Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Is the books main theme or message clearly identifiable _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the books main theme or message? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its theme message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate, inspire or entertain? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.?
 _____ 1-10

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Growing Pains Category Rating Sheet

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TITLE OF WORK _____

Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book clearly address a change or changes children go through as they mature and give them valuable information or suggestions on the subject? _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the book's main message? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate and/or inspire? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.? _____ 1-10

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book clearly address a health topic and give readers valuable information or suggestions to encourage a healthy lifestyle? _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the book's main message? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate and/or inspire? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.? _____ 1-10

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TITLE OF WORK _____

Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

How compelling are the plot and major conflicts? _____ 1-10

How interesting and believable are the characters? _____ 1-10

How well does the writer integrate historical facts and information into the story? _____ 1-10

How valuable are the concept and theme? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative, and other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.?
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History: Nonfiction Category Rating Sheet

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

How compellingly is the subject matter presented? _____ 1-10

How accurate are the facts, statistics and information? _____ 1-10

How well does the writing help the reader visualize the book's concepts, subjects, settings, etc.? _____ 1-10

How valuable are the concepts, themes and/or subjects to a young adult? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative, and other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.? _____ 1-10

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Do the illustrations entice one to look through the book? _____ 1-10

Do illustrations complement the book's writing/story? _____ 1-10

Do illustrations complement the book's subject/genre? _____ 1-10

Are the characters and style of illustrations consistent throughout the book? _____ 1-10

Rate the artistic quality of the illustrations _____ 1-10

Do the illustrations compliment the cover design? _____ 1-10

Did the illustrator choose colors well; or if black & white, rate shading _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Do the illustrations sit nicely on the page instead of running into words or too close to the margin, etc.? _____ 1-10

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Interior Design Category Rating Sheet

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the interior design of the book entice one to look through the book? _____ 1-10

Does the interior design complement the book's writing/story & subject/genre? _____ 1-10

Is everything on the interior grammatically correct? _____ 1-10

Are the title and author's name displayed within the interior in a way that makes them easily identifiable? _____ 1-10

Does the interior design compliment the cover design? _____ 1-10

Rate the treatment of chapters; i.e., is it appealing, is it creative, do they show a consistent style? was thought given to chapter headings _____ 1-10

Rate font choice(s); i.e., is it consistent, is it a good choice for the style of the book and the intended audience, etc. _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.?
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TITLE OF WORK _____

Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

How compellingly is the subject matter presented? _____ 1-10

How accurate are the facts, statistics and information? _____ 1-10

How well does the writing help the reader visualize the book's concepts, subjects, settings, etc.? _____ 1-10

How valuable are the concepts, themes and/or subjects to a young adult? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative, and other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.? _____ 1-10

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Outdoor Recreation Category Rating Sheet

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TITLE OF WORK _____

Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book clearly address an outdoor activity that can be enjoyed by children or families, such as camping, fishing, hiking, etc. with helpful, easy-to-understand instructions or concepts? _____ 1-10

How accurately does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the book's subject? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book present its subject? _____ 1-10

Does the book inspire an appreciation for the outdoors, nature, etc.? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.?
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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the photography entice one to look through the book? _____ 1-10

Does the photography complement the book's writing/story? _____ 1-10

Does the photography complement the book's subject/genre? _____ 1-10

Did the photographer make good use of lighting _____ 1-10

Rate the artistic quality of the photography _____ 1-10

Does the photography compliment the cover design? _____ 1-10

Rate the photos overall: Are the subjects framed well? Clearly identifiable?
 Are the photographs lacking defects? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing of the photos crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the quality of the photographs consistent throughout the book? _____ 1-10

TOTAL _____ 8-80

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Is the books main theme or message clearly identifiable _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative, and photos and/or illustrations support the books main theme or message? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its theme message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate, inspire or entertain? _____ 1-10

Rate the writing technique and grammar? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.?
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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Is the book's main theme or message clearly identifiable _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative, and photos and/or illustrations support the book's main theme or message? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its theme message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate, inspire or entertain? _____ 1-10

Rate the writing technique and grammar? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

How well does the poetry flow? _____ 1-10

How interesting, meaningful or entertaining are the poems/verse? _____ 1-10

How well does the poetry follow the theme(s) of the book? _____ 1-10

Does the poetry invoke an emotion (funny, sad, thoughtful, etc.)? _____ 1-10

Rate the writers choice of words? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book clearly address a school-related issue(s) such as bullying, making new friends, study habits, peer pressure, etc. and give the reader valuable information or suggestions on the subject? _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the book's main message? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate and/or inspire? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

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TITLE OF WORK _____

Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

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|---|------------|
| How original is the book's Science Fiction or Fantasy main idea and how engagingly did the writer approach it | _____ 1-10 |
| How compelling are the plot and major conflicts? | _____ 1-10 |
| How interesting and believable are the characters? | _____ 1-10 |
| How well do the setting and tone contribute to the story? | _____ 1-10 |
| How integrated are dialogue, narrative, and other writing techniques? | _____ 1-10 |
| Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? | _____ 1-10 |
| Would you read another book by the author? | _____ 1-10 |
| Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.? | _____ 1-10 |
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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book clearly convey a spiritual or religious message or address death and grieving? _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the books main message? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate or inspire? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative and other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.?
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Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

Does the book clearly convey a worthwhile message about or deliver information about a sport(s) or athlete(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does information presented, dialogue and/or narrative support the book's main message regarding the sport(s) or athlete(s)? _____ 1-10

How engagingly does the book convey its message(s)? _____ 1-10

How well does the book educate, inspire or entertain? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative or other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.?
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Text Book Category Rating Sheet

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Judging Deadline: _____

JUDGE'S NAME _____ CODE# _____

TITLE OF WORK _____

Rate the book on the following items. Give from 1 to 10 points with 10 being the best (highest) and 1 being least desirable (lowest) for each category. Do not use 0. Total the points at the end.

How compellingly is the subject matter presented? _____ 1-10

How accurate are the facts, statistics and information? _____ 1-10

How well does the writing help the reader visualize the book's concepts, subjects, settings, etc.? _____ 1-10

How valuable are the concepts, themes and/or subjects to a young adult? _____ 1-10

How integrated are dialogue, narrative, and other writing techniques? _____ 1-10

Is this book appropriately written for the age of its target readers? _____ 1-10

Would you read another book by the author? _____ 1-10

Rate the quality of publishing; i.e.: Is the printing crisp, rather than faded or blurred? Is the book printed on quality stock? Do the words sit nicely on the page instead of running into graphics or too close to the margin, etc.? _____ 1-10

TOTAL _____ 8-80

Judges Notes:
