Electronic Publication Rubric

Wiki Rubric—Middle School

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Purpose			
Our wiki has a clear purpose. Every part of the site enhances the purpose.	Our wiki has a purpose. Every part of the site relates to the purpose.	We try to give your wiki a purpose, but our wiki is mostly just about a topic.	Our wiki does not appear to have a purpose other than summarizing information.
Information			
Our wiki covers content that is important for the purpose. Our information is thorough, balanced, and fair.	Our wiki has adequate information. We present the content fairly.	Our wiki has some gaps in information. At times, our wiki is one-sided in its presentation.	Our wiki has very little information.
Interpretation			
We use our research to make meaningful inferences and draw original conclusions about the topic. We connect our wiki's content to broader topics and current issues or experiences.	We use our research to draw conclusions about the topic. We make connections between the information in our wiki and other topics.	We try to draw conclusions about the topic, but some of our conclusions are not based on facts.	We do not draw any conclusions about the topic. We just repeat or paraphrase our sources.
Sources			
We get information for our wiki from a variety of credible sources. Readers can easily find out where we found our information.	We get our information from credible sources. Readers can tell where we found our information.	We get our information from just a few sources, and some of them may not be very credible. Readers cannot always tell where we found our information.	We get our information from some sources that may not be credible. We rarely tell where we found our information.
Multimedia			
We effectively integrate multimedia features throughout our wiki. The graphics, sound, and video are high-quality, support our wiki's purpose, and are appropriate for our audience.	We use multimedia features effectively throughout our wiki. The graphics, sound, and video are high-quality and relate to the topic.	We try to use multimedia on our wiki, but some of the graphics, sound, and video are low-quality or do not relate well to the topic.	We do not use multimedia on our wiki.
Copyright			

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We follow copyright laws for all content on our wiki.	We follow copyright laws for all content on our wiki, but we may make some minor errors.	We do not follow copyright laws for some of the content on our wiki.	We do not follow copyright laws for most of the content on our wiki.
Creativity			
We include surprising and original insights, ideas, language, and multimedia features to support our wiki's purpose.	We include some surprising and original ideas on our site that relate to our wiki's topic.	We try to include some surprising and original ideas, but sometimes our ideas take away from our wiki's content.	We do not try to present our wiki's content in original ways.
Audience			
We anticipate and thoroughly address our audience's questions and concerns in our wiki. We write in language our audience will understand. We define important technical terms.	We anticipate and answer our audience's questions in our wiki. We write in language our audience will understand.	We try to answer questions in our wiki, but we have not thought carefully about what our audience wants or needs to know about our topic.	We do not think about our audience when we put information on our wiki.
Collaboration			
We discuss our ideas and agree on the major components of our wiki. We respect each other's work by offering support and constructive criticism. We agree on any changes that we make to the wiki before we make changes.	We work together to agree on the major components of our wiki. We respect each other's work by not making changes without discussing them with the group.	We try to work together on our wiki. We usually respect each other's work, but occasionally group members make changes without discussing them with the group.	The ideas on our wiki come from just a few people in our group. Ideas from other people are often ignored or dismissed. Some people make changes without discussing them with the group.
Site Organization			
The information on our wiki is divided logically into separate pages. Our links help people move easily to different pages, and help them find the home page.	The information on our wiki is divided logically into separate pages. We have links that help readers move to through the site without confusion.	We try to logically divide the information in our wiki, but sometimes the organization does not make sense. Some pages do not have links to help our readers move around in the site.	Our wiki is unorganized. Readers can easily get lost in the pages, or readers can not use links to go to other pages.

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Page Organization			
Each page in our wiki thoroughly describes a section of our topic. We effectively use headings and subheadings to help readers find what they are looking for.	Each page in our wiki describes a topic related to our purpose. We use some headings to organize our pages.	We try to make each page about a different topic. We have some headings on our pages, but they are sometimes confusing.	Our pages seem to be about many different topics. We rarely use headings and subheadings on our wiki.
Links			
All the links on our wiki work, are appropriate for our audience, and relate to the purpose of our site.	All the links on our site work and relate to the topic of our site. All linked sites are appropriate for our audience.	All the links on our wiki relate to our site's topic, but a few of the links do not work.	We have no links on our wiki, or our links are inappropriate or unrelated to the topic.
Language			
We use powerful, concrete, and accurate words on our wiki. We use a minimum of technical language and include definitions, when appropriate.	We use accurate language on our wiki and define technical words, when necessary.	Some of our language is inaccurate, and we use too many technical words.	Our language is predictable and often inaccurate.
Conventions			
We have no errors in spelling, capitalization, grammar, punctuation, or sentences.	We check our writing for accuracy in spelling, capitalization, grammar, and punctuation, and we do not have any errors that would confuse readers.	We check our writing for accuracy in spelling, capitalization, grammar, and punctuation, but sometimes we have errors that confuse readers.	We do not check our writing for accuracy in spelling, capitalization, grammar, and punctuation, and we have many errors that confuse readers.

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