

Suitability Assessment of Materials (SAM) Scoring Sheet

2 points for superior rating

1 point for adequate rating

0 points for not suitable rating

N/A if the factor does not apply to this material

Factor to be rated	Score	Comments
1. Content A) Purpose is evident B) Content is about behaviors C) Scope is limited D) Summary or review is included	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	
2. Literacy demand A) Reading grade level B) Writing style, active voice C) Context is given first D) Learning aids via “road signs”	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	
3. Graphics A) Cover graphic shows purpose B) Type of graphics C) Relevance of illustrations D) List, tables, etc. explained E) Captions used for graphics	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	
4. Layout and typography A) Layout factors B) Typography C) Subheads (“chunking”) used	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	
5. Learning stimulation, motivation A) Interaction used B) Behaviors are modeled and specific C) Motivation- self efficacy	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	
6. Cultural appropriateness A) Match in logic, language, experience B) Cultural images and examples	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	
Total SAM score:		
Total possible score: 44 = 100%	percent score	%

Interpretation of SAM scores

70-100% superior material

40-69% adequate material

0-39% not suitable material