



PLATINUM EVALUATION CHECKLIST

EVALUATOR: _____

POSITION: _____

DATE: _____

Value Rank	Selection Criteria	Platinum	Vendor 2	Vendor 3
	Database content appropriate for age range (10 = very appropriate / 1 = not appropriate)			
	Overall quality / credibility of content (10 = high / 1 = low)			
	Number of cover-to-cover / full-text periodicals			
	Number of periodicals offering pictures, charts and graphs from the original articles			
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	Overall currency of database (10 = very current / 1 = not current)			
	Number of backfile years included with basic subscription			
	Are backfile collections permanent or are they removed over time?			
	Relevance of search results (10 = very relevant / 1 = not relevant)			
	Interface easy to use (10 = very easy / 1 = difficult)			
	Multiple search methods available for novice and experienced researchers			
	Site license allows an unlimited number of workstations (library, computer labs, classrooms)			
	Home access free for students and educators			
	View, print, copy and paste, and/or email any document			
	Local holdings feature provided			
	Usage reports provided (helps with collection development and tracking overall usage)			
	Will the resource support or enhance the core curriculum? In more than one area?			
	Does the content provide depth in its coverage of information?			
	Does the content offer differing viewpoints and perspectives?			
	Trainers available for in-service / staff development days			

Comments: