

Inquiry-Based Literacy Skills Checklist

Name: _____

Date: _____

Skill	Not Observed	Occasionally	Often	Usually
Reading and Viewing Skills				
• Uses pre-reading strategies				
• Reads “just right” texts with fluency				
• Identifies main idea and significant details				
• Gathers and recalls information from more than one source (synthesizes)				
• Sequences and summarizes information to help in sense-making				
• Evaluates information in texts				
• Discusses interpretation of text with a partner				
• Cites evidence to support opinions				
• Reads with fluency				
• Applies a variety of reading strategies to understand text at a deeper level				
Oral Language Skills				
• Listens actively and carefully to others				
• Respects different ideas				
• Asks questions to clarify or probe deeper				
• States ideas clearly				
• Uses terminology specific to the topic				
Writing Skills				
• Takes jot notes to record information from texts				
• Uses organizers to record thinking				
• Expresses opinions and tries to justify with evidence				
Critical Thinking Skills				
• Asks questions				
• Interprets information and draws conclusions				
• Examines alternative perspectives				
• Compares and contrasts information				
• Makes an informed decision				
• Understands cause and effect				
• Synthesizes and makes connections between information				