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RESEARCH PROCESS MODEL FOR INFORMATION LITERACY SKILLS

RPM/Research Process Model Checklist
1. Define the information need/task
• Analyze the information task
• Identify the information needed to complete the task
• Narrow or define the focus of the information question
• Consider the best format for the end product
2. Determine information seeking strategies
• Brainstorm all the possible resources
• Determine the best initial leads for relevant information
• Consider which sources will be the most helpful (within and beyond the media center)
• Design a general search plan
3. Locate and access the information
• Determine where the sources are located within and beyond the media center
• Find the information within the sources
• Determine the general relevancy of the content
4. Analyze and extract the information
• Read, view, or hear the information to determine if it is specific to the topic
• Determine the appropriateness of the information
• Determine the adequacy of the information
• Select a systematic method to gather, sort, and retrieve the information from the sources selected
• Extract and record the information from the source
5. Organize and present the information
• Select the format for your presentation/product
• Organize the information from all of the sources used
• Integrate new information with prior knowledge
• Sequence the information to develop the appropriate emphasis
• Select the best format for the end product
• Cite all sources used
• Present, perform, share the product
6. Evaluate the process and product
• Evaluate if the information problem was satisfactorily solved
• Determine if the process was efficient
• Determine if the product was effective
• Assess what should be done differently next time