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Teacher Perspective Textbook Critique

Local school boards may also want to consider other criteria to meet the needs of their student population.
All teachers that reviewed this material are highly qualified in their specific field in education.

Textbook Title: *Magruder's American Government*
Publisher: Pearson Prentice-Hall
Grade Level: 9-12
ISBN No. Teacher Edition: 9780133731736
ISBN No. Student Edition: 9780133736038

TEXTBOOK ORGANIZATION

The text is thematically arranged with additional online and CD support. Closely aligns to NM Standards and has a special supplement that addresses NM Government. Graphics used to improve comprehension for complex text. Reading strategies used to guide students. Activities aim at multidisciplinary lesson planning and learning. Pacing calendars are also provided. Assessment rubrics included. Plenty of documents for further support.

STUDENT ASSESSMENT SUPPORT

Assessment activities available throughout text and they are directed at all learning styles and levels. Assessments are matched to essential questions. ELL and Special Education students are provided accommodations. Differentiated instruction for all students. Excellent taxonomy of questioning.

ADDITIONAL CRITERIA

Any teacher can be successful utilizing these materials with minimal experience or effort. Materials support all teaching styles. Strong cross curricular material while allowing cross genre work. Utilizing the text suggestions will help teachers expand the curriculum and improve strategies.

ADDITIONAL TEACHER COMMENTS

"The material is organized well and offers great strategies for success in the classroom." D.D 9-12 Educator

"The content is made comprehensible with great visuals." C.C 9-12 Educator

"I believe this to be the standard for a text." T.S 9-12 Educator