Software/Website Evaluation Form

Title of Software/Website: http://www.starfall.com/

Intended Grade Level: kindergarten students

Content Area: Language Arts

SA	A	D	SD	NA	Content
X					The content is accurate.
X					The objectives meet my curriculum needs.
X					The reading level and vocabulary is appropriate for the intended user.
X					The website/software has various levels of instruction for varied abilities.
SA	**A**	**D**	**SD**	**NA**	**Technical Aspects**
X					Uses the unique capabilities of the computer.
		x			Sound can be turned off.
			X		Maintains a record of student performance/progress.
	X				Instructions are clear.
		x			User can skip over familiar instructions.
SA	**A**	**D**	**SD**	**NA**	**Design**
x					Graphics and sound add to effectiveness of the program.
x					Screen format is well planned and consistent.
		x			Difficulty of instruction adjusts according to student response.
	x				Feedback is effective and appropriate.
x					Students can access menu to change activities.
		x			Responds to errors effectively.
SA	**A**	**D**	**SD**	**NA**	**Support**
	x				Documentation is clear and comprehensive.
	x				Print materials are provided for students.
	x				Additional learning activities are suggested in the documentation.
SA	**A**	**D**	**SD**	**NA**	**Motivation**
x					Easy to use.
x					The students will like it.

Three things I liked about the website/software:

1.) Ease of use.

2.) Application to Georgia Language Arts Standards

3.) It is fun and engaging for students.

Three things I disliked about the website/software:

1.) Sometimes the games/videos get "hung up" and don't play correctly.

2.) Limited use of lower case letters.

3.) Limited higher-level resources.

My Overall Recommendation:

I really like this web site. I think it is very useful. Most web applications of this caliber are paid sites. This site supports many Language Arts standards and can be used in many different situations.