



Ageism in Literature Analysis Form

Title:

Grade Level(s):

Author(s):

Publisher:

Copyright:

Directions: Circle the number that you feel is appropriate for each item.

It is not necessary to answer all items.

1 = poor ; 2 = fair ; 3 = good

The older character plays a vital part in the story.	1	2	3
The older character's personality is fully developed.	1	2	3
The older character is self-reliant as opposed to being dependent.	1	2	3
The older character's physical appearance is fully described.	1	2	3
Stereotypic adjectives such as "old," "sad," and "poor" are not frequently or exclusively used in this book to refer to older people.	1	2	3
The older character's occupation is fully defined.	1	2	3
The older character's occupation is a meaningful one.	1	2	3
If not employed, the older character is engaged in worthwhile activities.	1	2	3
The older character is not engaged in stereotypical roles of his/her ethnic or racial group.	1	2	3
The older character is from outside the family unit.	1	2	3
The older person is a three-dimensional character.	1	2	3
If illustrated, the illustrations are appropriate for the time and setting of the story.	1	2	3
If illustrated, the older character is illustrated in social communication with a variety of age groups.	1	2	3
If illustrated, all characters are pictured realistically.	1	2	3
Overall analysis of the book, in terms of portrayal of older adults.	1	2	3
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Comments:

Name of Reviewer:

Date of Review: