Textbook Review Form

Title of the proposed book: _____

Author/s: _____

Publisher: _____

Circle the approximate level: I   II   III   IV   V   VI

Circle the major skill area/s: Grammar   Reading   Writing   Vocabulary

Listening   Speaking   Pronunciation   Idioms

Circle the content focus: General   Academic   Business   Cultural

Other: _____

Evaluation Checklist
(adapted from a template by Patricia Byrd & Marianne Celce-Murcia)

Evaluation of the fit	*Yes* (a good fit)	*Perhaps* (adequate fit)	*Probably Not* (a poor fit)	*Absolutely Not* (wrong for curriculum/ students/teachers)
Fit between the textbook and the curriculum:				
* fits curriculum/goals	____	____	____	____
* has appropriate linguistic content	____	____	____	____
* has appropriate thematic content	____	____	____	____
* fits the pedagogical philosophy of the course	____	____	____	____
Fit between the textbook and the students:				
* explanations are understandable/usable for the students	____	____	____	____
* examples are understandable/usable for the students	____	____	____	____

Evaluation of the fit	_Yes_ _(a good fit)_	_Perhaps_ _(adequate fit)_	_Probably Not_ _(a poor fit)_	_Absolutely Not_ _(wrong for curriculum/_ _students/teachers)_
* activities are appropriate for students	____	____	____	____

* thematic content is
  understandable and
  culturally appropriate
	____	____	____	____

Fit between the textbook
  and the teachers:

* provides explanations usable by our teachers	____	____	____	____

* provides examples
  usable and expandable
  by our teachers
	____	____	____	____

* fits the needs and
  preferences of teachers
  (Is this a book that you
   personally would like
   to use?)
	____	____	____	____

* provides in-book or
  instructor's manual
  support for teachers
	____	____	____	____

* provides technological
  support (CDs, Website,
  CNN, NPR, etc.)
	____	____	____	____

Overall evaluation of the fit
of the book for this course
in this program:

* **Should text be adopted?**	____	____	____	____

*** Additional comments:**

*** Submitted by (name):** _____

*** Date of review:** _____