

## Characteristics of Quality Wiki Pages

One of the first steps to creating a quality wiki page is to spend time exploring other student wiki pages. Working with your research group, use the following handout to evaluate at least one of the wiki pages listed below. Each was designed by groups of sixth-grade students who were presenting potential solutions for global warming. Remember to note what was impressive about the wiki page that you evaluate, any ideas you would like to copy, and what you would improve about the work.

Wiki Samples:

The Solution to Pollution	The Green Squad	The Global Warming Girls
<a href="http://bit.ly/1uEbjKw">http://bit.ly/1uEbjKw</a>	<a href="http://bit.ly/1FBHmTN">http://bit.ly/1FBHmTN</a>	<a href="http://bit.ly/1wjYdFs">http://bit.ly/1wjYdFs</a>

### Questions to Consider

1. Does the wiki page have an appealing layout that makes reading and exploring easy? Have subtitles or a table of contents been used to organize the information? Were they needed?

Your Response / Next Steps:

2. Is the content on this wiki page accurate and engaging? Have the authors included links to reliable external sources that you can explore to verify their information? Are you convinced by the arguments presented by this student group?

Your Response / Next Steps:

3. Have interesting images and embedded content like videos or slideshows been included to catch the attention of readers? Would readers be drawn in or distracted by this extra content?

Your Response / Next Steps:

4. Has the content on this wiki page been proofread carefully? Do typing errors or grammar mistakes get in the way of your understanding? Do you have to work to make sense of the content?

Your Response / Next Steps:

5. Have the authors of this wiki page used the comment section in a meaningful way to plan their work? Is there evidence that this project was a collective effort, or does it look like most of the work was done by one or two group members?

Your Response / Next Steps: