## Evaluate Your Research Skills Using the Big6<sup>TM</sup>

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Before you turn in your assignment or project, think about and respond to the items below.

| Big6 #1: Task Definition                       | <ul> <li>Does the information in your final product meet (or exceed) the requirements of the assignment?</li> <li>Does your final product meet your teacher's expectations?</li> </ul> |
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| <b>Big6 #2: Information Seeking Strategies</b> | Did the books, web sites, and other<br>resources you used meet the needs<br>of the assignment?                                                                                         |
|                                                | Did you select the best sources<br>available to you? How do you<br>know?                                                                                                               |
| Big6 #3: Location & Access                     | Did you locate the sources you needed?                                                                                                                                                 |
|                                                | <ul> <li>Did you find the information you needed in each source?</li> </ul>                                                                                                            |
| <b>Big6 #4: Use of Information</b>             | Were you able to effectively<br>identify the information you<br>needed?                                                                                                                |
|                                                | Were you able to effectively take<br>notes or gather information?                                                                                                                      |
| Big6 #5: Synthesis                             | Did you effectively organize<br>information?                                                                                                                                           |
|                                                | Does your product present the information clearly?                                                                                                                                     |
| Big6 #6: Evaluation                            | Does your product meet (or exceed)<br>the assignment requirements?                                                                                                                     |
|                                                | <ul> <li>Did you use your time well?</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                        |