



Sibert Smackdown! Selecting an Award Winner

Name: _____ Date: _____

Your mission is to read TWO different books and decide which one should win the SIBERT MEDAL. Use the chart below to compare the books.

Put a checkmark under the book that:	Book 1 Author and Title:	Book 2 Author and Title:
Has the most information about the topic		
Is the most interesting and easiest to understand (well organized, clear language)		
Includes craft moves like vivid verbs, rich language, strong voice		
Has the best illustrations (photos, drawings, graphs, diagrams, maps)		
Is the most helpful text features (table of contents, glossary, headings)		
Has the best back matter (sources, author's note, etc.)		

Now circle the title of the book you think is the best choice for the Sibert Medal.

What is the main idea of that book? _____

List two details that support the book's main idea.

1. _____

2. _____

Write a couple of juicy sentences recommending the book you chose to other people:
