

Characteristics of Good Assessment



Reproducible

The assessment produces similar results with multiple students or groups of students.



Content Related

The assessment measures success on material that was covered in class. Students have been taught the material being assessed, there is no assumption of background knowledge.



Clear criteria

The criteria for the assessment should be clear before students begin the assessment.



Varied

More than one opportunity is given to demonstrate skills on an assessment. Students should be able to demonstrate their understanding using more than one question and response format. The assessment checks student knowledge and understanding at multiple depths. Using more than one assessment item for a skill ensures the skill has been mastered.



Meaningful Outcome

The outcome of the assessment has importance to the student, teacher and the student's family. There is a clear connection between the assessment and what the student has been learning and their progress in a specific skill or subject. The assessment clearly demonstrates a student's success in