

Rubric & Assessment Vocabulary

Rubric

The essential quality criteria by which something is evaluated or developed.

Criteria

Those components (or attributes) of a product, performance, or process that are essential for a high quality result and the expected standards of performance for each.

Coaching Rubrics

Rubrics used to coach students until their work is exemplary or until it meets the criteria required for scoring (criteria for credit).



Scoring Rubrics

Rubrics used for scoring (evaluating student work).

4
3
2
1
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Student Developed Rubrics

Rubrics, either scoring or coaching, developed by students through their analysis of examples.

Rubrics For . . .

Products Such As Books, Essays, Posters, & Models	Performances Such As Oral Presentations, Acting, and Recitals	Processes Such As Debating
The criteria address quality characteristics of the product and its effectiveness.	The criteria address quality characteristics of the predictable, performance actions, applicable supporting materials, and the student's effectiveness in the performance.	The criteria address quality characteristics of the predictable and unpredictable actions (necessitated by the process) and the effectiveness of the use of the process.

Adapted from The High Performance Toolbox by Rogers & Graham (Peak Learning Systems, 1997)

Exemplars

Examples (anchors) for of superior "work."

Anchors

Examples of "work" that provide clarification of criteria.

Quality Levels

The defined levels of QUALITY identified for the criteria/dimensions in a scoring rubric.

Exemplary	4
Proficient	3
Developing	2
Emerging	1
Not Yet / Incomplete	N.S.
Not Score-able	

Holistic Scoring

Assigning a single score to "work" based on an overall impression -- most appropriate at system levels.

Analytic Scoring

Assigning separate scores for each criteria -- most appropriate for classrooms.

Assessment:

the gathering of information regarding specific criteria in order to change our behavior to improve performance

Evaluation:

the gathering of information regarding specific criteria in order to score, label, grade or document performance.

