

Sources of Performance Assessment Tasks, Rubrics, and Samples of Student Work

The following list contains items we have found useful and pedagogically sound. We have indicated in boldface the portion of the source that we recommend, whether rubrics, tasks, and/or samples of student work. (Please note that the URLs given here are correct as of time of publication.)

Language Arts

- Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory, *Assessment* (Portland, OR: NWREL, 2001)—**rubrics** (writing, interpersonal communication, group discussion, oral presentation; includes student-friendly versions). [<http://www.nwrel.org/assessment/scoring/php>]
- North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, *Assessment Series: Speaking and Listening for K–12 Communication* (Ann Arbor, MI: NCACS, n.d.)—**rubrics** and developmental continua in speaking and listening from K to high school. [<http://www.ncamichigan.org/speaklist.pdf>]

Mathematics

- Illinois Department of Education, *Illinois Standards Achievement Test Sample Mathematics Materials* (Chicago: ISBE, 1999–2003)—**tasks, rubrics** (including student-friendly versions for grades 3–8), **scored samples of student work**. [<http://www.isbe.state.il.us/assessment/math.htm>]
- National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. *Mathematics Assessment: A Practical Handbook* (Reston, VA: NCTM, 2003)—assessment ideas for the NCTM standards; 4 books in the series (K–2; 3–5; 6–8; & 9–12); **tasks, student work scored with both a task-specific and holistic general rubric**.
- National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. *Using Assessment to Improve Middle-Grades Mathematics Teaching & Learning* (Reston, VA: NCTM, 2003)—a general math **rubric** (holistic that can be easily made into a generic or a task-specific rubric), **tasks, samples of student work**.

Science

- Performance Assessment Links in Science (PALS)—**tasks**. [<http://pals.sri.com>]

Writing

- Vicki Spandel, *Creating Writers: Through 6-Trait Writing Assessment and Instruction* (Boston: Allyn & Bacon, 2005)—tasks, rubrics, samples of student work, primary through high school, includes technical writing.
- Ruth Culham, *6+1 Traits of Writing: A Professional Development Series* (New York: Scholastic, 2005). Four videotapes with study guides. **Rubrics, samples of student work, instructional ideas**.

General

- Judy Arter & Jay McTighe, *Scoring Rubrics in the Classroom: Using Performance Criteria for Assessing and Improving Student Performance* (Thousand Oaks, CA: Corwin, 2001)—**rubrics** (reading, writing, mathematics, thinking, collaboration), **instructional ideas**.
- Assessment for Learning Resources/Share Fair—**rubrics, tasks, student self-assessment**. Contains very interesting examples of teacher applications. [<http://dtp.epsb.ca/T4LNotes/documents/afl.html>]
- British Columbia Performance Standards (Vancouver, BC: Government Publication Services, 25-387-6409)—**rubrics** (numeracy, reading, writing, social responsibility), **tasks, samples of student work**. [<http://www.publications.gov.bc.ca/>; http://www.bced.gov.bc.ca/perf_stands/worksheet_intro.pdf]
- *National Education Monitoring Project* (New Zealand Ministry of Education)—A series of reports from the most current national assessments in mathematics, science, technology, writing, health/PE, listening/viewing, art, social studies, oral presentations, and reading—**tasks**. [<http://nemp.otago.ac.nz>]
- Ontario Provincial Ministry of Education—Put “Exemplars” plus subject area and grade level into the search engine—**tasks, samples of student work**. [<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/tools/search.html>]
- Exemplars Assessment Rubrics (2005)—**rubrics** (math, science, reading, writing, research), **student-friendly versions, tasks, samples of student work**. [<http://www.exemplars.com>]
- Bil Johnson, *The Performance Assessment Handbook*, volume 1, *Performances & Exhibitions*, volume 2, *Portfolios and Socratic Seminars*. (Princeton, NJ: Eye on Education, 1996). P.O. Box 3113, Princeton, NJ 08543; 609-395-0005—**tasks** (science, social studies).