

Teacher Evaluation Domains

Competency		Level of proficiency				Supporting Evidence
		Not Meeting	Developing	Meeting	Exceeding	
Domain 3: Instruction	3a: Communicating with students	<p>The instructional purpose of the lesson is unclear to students, and the directions and procedures are confusing.</p> <p>The teacher's explanation of the content contains major errors and does not include any explanation of strategies students might use.</p> <p>The teacher's spoken or written language contains errors with grammar or syntax.</p> <p>The teacher's academic vocabulary is inappropriate, vague, or used incorrectly, leaving students confused.</p>	<p>The teacher's attempt to explain the instructional purpose has only limited success, and/or directions and procedures must be clarified after initial student confusion.</p> <p>The teacher's explanation of the content may contain minor errors' some portions are clear, others difficult to follow. The teacher's explanation does not invite students to engage intellectually or to understand strategies they might use when working independently. The teacher's spoken language is correct, but uses vocabulary that is either limited or not fully appropriate to the students' ages or backgrounds. The teacher rarely takes opportunities to explain academic vocabulary.</p>	<p>The instructional purpose of the lesson is clearly communicated to students, including where it is situated within broader learning' directions and procedures are explained clearly and may be modeled.</p> <p>The teacher's explanation of content is scaffolded, clear, and accurate and connects with students' knowledge and experience.</p> <p>During the explanation of content, the teacher focuses, as appropriate, on strategies students can use when working independently and invites student intellectual engagement.</p> <p>The teacher's spoken and written language is clear and correct and is suitable to students' ages and interests. The teacher's use of academic vocabulary is precise and serves to enhance student understanding.</p>	<p>The teacher links the instructional purpose of the lesson to the larger curriculum; the directions and procedures are clear and anticipate possible student misunderstanding.</p> <p>The teacher's explanation of content is thorough and clear, developing conceptual understanding through clear scaffolding and connecting with students' interests. Students contribute to extending the content by explaining concepts to their classmates and suggesting strategies that might be used.</p> <p>The teacher's spoken and written language is expressive, and the teacher finds opportunities to extend students' vocabularies, both within the discipline and for more general use. Students contribute to the correct use of academic vocabulary.</p>	
Domain 3: Instruction	3b: Using inquiry, questioning and discussion techniques	<p>The teacher's questions are of low cognitive challenge, with single correct responses, and are asked in rapid succession. Interaction between the teacher and students is predominantly recitation style, with the teacher mediating all questions and answers; the teacher accepts all contributions without asking students to explain their reasoning.</p>	<p>The teacher's questions lead students through a single path of inquiry, with answers seemingly determined in advance. Alternatively, the teacher attempts to ask some questions designed to engage students in thinking, but only a few students are involved.</p> <p>The teacher attempts to engage all students in the discussion, to encourage them to respond to one another, and to explain their thinking, with uneven results.</p>	<p>While the teacher may use some low-level questions, questions are designed to promote student thinking and understanding.</p> <p>The teacher creates a genuine discussion among students, providing adequate time for students to respond and stepping aside when doing so is appropriate.</p> <p>The teacher challenges students to justify their thinking and successfully engages most students in the discussion, employing a range of strategies to ensure that most students are heard.</p>	<p>The teacher uses a variety or series of questions or prompts to challenge students cognitively, advance high-level thinking and discourse, and promote metacognition.</p> <p>Students formulate many questions, initiate topics, challenge one another's thinking, and make unsolicited contributions.</p> <p>Students themselves ensure that all voices are heard in the discussion.</p>	

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	3c: Engaging students in learning	<p>The learning tasks/activities, materials, and resources are poorly aligned with the instructional outcomes, or require only rote responses, with only one approach possible.</p> <p>The groupings of students are unsuitable to the activities.</p> <p>The lesson has no clearly defined structure, or the pace of the lesson is too slow or rushed.</p> <p>In discussions, planning and practice, the teacher demonstrates no understanding of the spirit and intent of the six key competencies identified by Yukon First Nations (see Competencies – Appendix?)</p>	<p>The learning tasks and activities are partially aligned with the instructional outcomes, but require only minimal thinking by students and little opportunity for them to explain their thinking, allowing most students to be passive or merely compliant.</p> <p>The groupings of students are moderately suitable to the activities. The lesson has a recognizable structure; however, the pacing of the lesson may not provide students the time needed to be intellectually engaged or may be so slow that many students have a considerable amount of “downtime.”</p> <p>In discussions, planning and practice, the teacher demonstrates minimal understanding of the spirit and intent of the six key competencies identified by Yukon First Nations (see below Competencies – Appendix?)</p>	<p>The learning tasks and activities are fully aligned with the instructional outcomes and are designed to challenge student thinking, inviting students to make their thinking visible. This technique results in active intellectual engagement by most students with important and challenging content and with teacher scaffolding to support that engagement.</p> <p>The groupings of students are suitable to the activities. The lesson has a clearly defined structure, and the pacing of the lesson is appropriate, providing most students the time needed to be intellectually engaged.</p> <p>In discussions, planning and practice, the teacher demonstrates a substantial understanding of the spirit and intent of the six key competencies identified by Yukon First Nations (see below Competencies – Appendix?)</p>	<p>Virtually all students are intellectually engaged in challenging content through well-designed learning tasks and activities that require complex thinking by students.</p> <p>The teacher provides suitable scaffolding and challenges students to explain their thinking.</p> <p>There is evidence of some student initiation of inquiry and student contributions to the exploration of important content; students may serve as resources for one another.</p> <p>The lesson has a clearly defined structure, and the pacing of the lesson provides students the time needed not only to intellectually engage with and reflect upon their learning, but also to consolidate their understanding. In discussions, planning and practice, the teacher demonstrates an extensive understanding of the spirit and intent of the six key competencies identified by Yukon First Nations (see below Competencies – Appendix?)</p>	
Domain 3: Instruction	3d: Using assessment in instruction	<p>Students are unclear of the assessment criteria, and there is lack of monitoring of student learning. Feedback is absent or of poor quality. Students do not engage in self- or peer assessment.</p>	<p>Students are partially aware of the assessment criteria, and the teacher only monitors student learning for the class, as a whole. Questions and assessments are minimally used to diagnose evidence of learning. Feedback to students is general, and few students assess their own work.</p>	<p>Clear evidence of student awareness of the assessment criteria. The teacher monitors student learning for groups of students. Questions and assessments are consistently used to diagnose evidence of learning. Teacher feedback to groups of students is accurate and specific; some students engage in self-assessment.</p>	<p>Assessment is fully integrated into instruction through extensive use of assessment practices.</p> <p>Students demonstrate awareness of, and there is evidence that they have contributed to, the assessment criteria. Questions and assessments are used seamlessly to diagnose evidence of learning by individual students.</p> <p>A variety of forms of feedback, from both teacher and peers, is accurate and specific and advances learning. Students self-assess and monitor their own progress.</p> <p>The teacher successfully differentiates instruction to address individual students.</p>	

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<p>3e: Demonstrating flexibility and responsiveness</p>	<p>The teacher ignores students' questions. When students have difficulty learning, the teacher blames them or their home environment for their lack of success. The teacher makes no attempt to adjust the lesson even when students don't understand the content.</p>	<p>The teacher accepts responsibility for the success of all students, but has a limited repertoire of strategies to use. Adjustment of the lesson in response to assessment is minimal or ineffective.</p>	<p>The teacher successfully accommodates students' questions and interests. Drawing on a broad repertoire of strategies, the teacher persists in seeking approaches for students who have difficulty learning. If impromptu measures are needed, the teacher makes a minor adjustment to the lesson and does so smoothly.</p>	<p>The teacher seizes an opportunity to enhance learning, building on a spontaneous event or students' interests, or successfully adjusts and differentiates instruction to address individual student. Using an extensive repertoire of instructional strategies and soliciting additional resources from the school or community, the teacher persists in seeking effective approaches for students who need help.</p>	
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