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How to Create and Use Rubrics for Formative Assessment and Grading

Teaching in the Middle and Secondary Schools, Ninth Edition, is a highly practical text for pre-service teachers in middle school and secondary methods courses. Readers will find useful, ready-to-use classroom applications for planning instruction, selecting and using instructional strategies, and assessment. Each module includes exercises and posttests.

Peer-assisted Learning

The book you're about to read is not only a superb analysis of rubrics but a lesson

in how to apply careful thinking to classroom practice. -Alfie Kohn, Author of *The Case Against Standardized Testing* This book will create the conversations educators desperately need-about accurate assessment, quality in writing, and informed teaching. -Randy Bomer, Author of *For a Better World* The conventional wisdom in English education is that rubrics are the best and easiest tools for assessment. But sometimes it's better to be unconventional. In *Rethinking Rubrics in Writing Assessment*, Maja Wilson offers a new perspective on rubrics and argues for a better, more responsive way to think about assessing writers' progress. Though you may sense a disconnect between student-centered teaching and rubric-based assessment, you may still use rubrics for convenience or for want of better alternatives. *Rethinking Rubrics in Writing Assessment* gives you the impetus to make a change, demonstrating how rubrics can hurt kids and replace professional decision making with an inauthentic pigeonholing that stamps standardization onto a notably nonstandard process. With an emphasis on thoughtful planning and teaching, Wilson shows you how to reconsider writing assessment so that it aligns more closely with high-quality instruction and avoids the potentially damaging effects of rubrics. Stop listening to the conventional wisdom, and turn instead to a compelling new voice to find out why rubrics are often replaceable. Open *Rethinking Rubrics in Writing Assessment* and let Maja Wilson start you down the path to more sensitive, authentic style of writing assessment.

Journal of Computing in Teacher Education

Middle Grades Research Journal (MGRJ) is a refereed, peer reviewed journal that publishes original studies providing both empirical and theoretical frameworks that focus on middle grades education. A variety of articles are published quarterly in March, June, September, and December of each volume year.

Power Up Blended Learning

Use technology to focus on your students! In this step-by-step guide, teacher and education blogger Catlin Tucker outlines the process for integrating online discussion with face-to-face instruction in a way that empowers teachers to focus their energies where they're most needed. With concrete strategies, ready-to-use resources, and sample rubrics grounded in the Common Core State Standards, this book shows teachers how to: Increase engagement and drive higher-order thinking Prepare students for high-stakes exams without sacrificing class time Assess online work Personalize learning and differentiate lessons Move toward flipped instruction to create a student-centered classroom

24 Ready-To-Go Genre Book Reports

Teaching Secondary and Middle School Mathematics combines the latest developments in research, technology, and standards with a vibrant writing style to help teachers prepare for the excitement and challenges of teaching secondary and middle school mathematics. The book explores the mathematics teaching profession by examining the processes of planning, teaching, and assessing student progress through practical examples and recommendations. Beginning with an examination of what it means to teach and learn mathematics, the reader

is led through the essential components of teaching, concluding with an examination of how teachers continue with professional development throughout their careers. Hundreds of citations are used to support the ideas presented in the text, and specific websites and other resources are presented for future study by the reader. Classroom scenarios are presented to engage the reader in thinking through specific challenges that are common in mathematics classrooms. The sixth edition has been updated and expanded with particular emphasis on the latest technology, resources, and standards. The reader is introduced to the ways that students think and how to best meet their needs through planning that involves attention to differentiation, as well as how to manage a classroom for success. Features include: The entire text has been reorganized so that assessment takes a more central role in planning and teaching. Unit 3 (of 5) now addresses the use of summative and formative assessments to inform classroom teaching practices. ● A new feature, "Links and Resources," has been added to each of the 13 chapters. While the book includes a substantial listing of citations and resources after the chapters, five strongly recommended and practical resources are spotlighted at the end of each chapter as an easy reference to some of the most important materials on the topic. ● Approximately 150 new citations have either replaced or been added to the text to reflect the latest in research, materials, and resources that support the teaching of mathematics. ● A Quick Reference Guide has been added to the front of the book to assist the reader in identifying the most useful chapter features by topic. ● A significant revision to Chapter 13 now includes discussions of common teaching assessments used for field experiences and licensure, as well as a discussion of practical suggestions for success in methods and student teaching experiences. ● Chapter 9 on the practical use of classroom technology has been revised to reflect the latest tools available to classroom teachers, including apps that can be run on handheld, personal devices. An updated Instructor's Manual features a test bank, sample classroom activities, Powerpoint slides, chapter summaries, and learning outcomes for each chapter, and can be accessed by instructors online at www.routledge.com/9780367146511

Using Formative Assessment to Differentiate Middle School Literacy Instruction

For science instruction in middle and secondary schools-On Reserve for Edu 427.

Blended Learning in Grades 4-12

Middle School Journal

A valuable resource for helping students develop and demonstrate an understanding of science content.

Book Report Journal

Blended learning is more than just "teaching with technology"; it allows teachers to maximize learning through deliberate instructional moves. This On-Your-Foot Guide zeroes in on one blended learning routine: Station Rotation. The Station Rotation

model moves small groups of students through a series of online and off-line stations, building conceptual understanding and skills along the way. This On-Your-Foot-Guide provides: 7 steps to planning a Station Rotation lesson A full example of one teacher's Station Rotation A blank planning template for designing your own Station Rotation Helpful assessment strategies for monitoring learning at each station Ideas to adapt for low-tech classrooms or large class sizes Use blended learning to maximize learning and keep kids constantly engaged through your next Station Rotation lesson! Laminated, 8.5"x11" tri-fold (6 pages), 3-hole punched

Current Index to Journals in Education Semi-Annual Cumulations, 1987

2018 Outstanding Academic Title, Choice Ambitious Science Teaching outlines a powerful framework for science teaching to ensure that instruction is rigorous and equitable for students from all backgrounds. The practices presented in the book are being used in schools and districts that seek to improve science teaching at scale, and a wide range of science subjects and grade levels are represented. The book is organized around four sets of core teaching practices: planning for engagement with big ideas; eliciting student thinking; supporting changes in students' thinking; and drawing together evidence-based explanations. Discussion of each practice includes tools and routines that teachers can use to support students' participation, transcripts of actual student-teacher dialogue and descriptions of teachers' thinking as it unfolds, and examples of student work. The book also provides explicit guidance for "opportunity to learn" strategies that can help scaffold the participation of diverse students. Since the success of these practices depends so heavily on discourse among students, Ambitious Science Teaching includes chapters on productive classroom talk. Science-specific skills such as modeling and scientific argument are also covered. Drawing on the emerging research on core teaching practices and their extensive work with preservice and in-service teachers, Ambitious Science Teaching presents a coherent and aligned set of resources for educators striving to meet the considerable challenges that have been set for them.

Rethinking Rubrics in Writing Assessment

Middle Grades Research Journal

501 Writing Prompts

In Learning Targets, Connie M. Moss and Susan M. Brookhart contend that improving student learning and achievement happens in the immediacy of an individual lesson--what they call "today's lesson"—or it doesn't happen at all. The key to making today's lesson meaningful? Learning targets. Written from students' point of view, a learning target describes a lesson-sized chunk of information and skills that students will come to know deeply. Each lesson's learning target connects to the next lesson's target, enabling students to master a coherent series of challenges that ultimately lead to important curricular standards. Drawing from

the authors' extensive research and professional learning partnerships with classrooms, schools, and school districts, this practical book - Situates learning targets in a theory of action that students, teachers, principals, and central-office administrators can use to unify their efforts to raise student achievement and create a culture of evidence-based, results-oriented practice. - Provides strategies for designing learning targets that promote higher-order thinking and foster student goal setting, self-assessment, and self-regulation. - Explains how to design a strong performance of understanding, an activity that produces evidence of students' progress toward the learning target. - Shows how to use learning targets to guide summative assessment and grading. Learning Targets also includes reproducible planning forms, a classroom walk-through guide, a lesson-planning process guide, and guides to teacher and student self-assessment. What students are actually doing during today's lesson is both the source of and the yardstick for school improvement efforts. By applying the insights in this book to your own work, you can improve your teaching expertise and dramatically empower all students as stakeholders in their own learning.

Assessment in Middle and High School Mathematics

Life Strategies for Teens

The Simple 6: A Writing Rubric for Kids

Current Index to Journals in Education

All teachers at all grade levels and in all subject areas assign speaking activities--for example, read-alouds, book reports, class discussions, lab results, research presentations, and dialogues in a foreign language. Effective communication is an essential skill in modern society, and the Common Core State Standards place particular emphasis on teaching students to deliver messages well orally and through a range of media. In this Read & Watch book by Stenhouse, Erik Palmer shows teachers how to turn almost any lesson into an opportunity for students to practice creating and performing a speech with the assistance of technology. Building on his previous book, Well Spoken, Palmer previews Web sites and Internet tools that are easy for students and teachers to use and offer a variety of possible classroom applications. Tutorials show teachers exactly what to type, where to click, and how to use a recommended tool. Audio podcasts and videos reveal how students can rehearse in school and on their own time. Rubrics show teachers how to evaluate speaking according to the most important elements.

Science the "write" Way

This book provides an actionable framework for leaders looking to implement a long-term professional learning plan that extends professional development beyond a handful of days each year to create a "coaching culture" that supports

teachers as they move toward blended learning. Blended learning expert Catlin Tucker provides tools and resources for embedding professional learning into your school's culture, including: Coaching protocols Templates for feedback Lesson planning resources for blended learning Rubrics for evaluation Stories and tips from blended learning coaches Vignettes from teachers who have successfully shifted to a blended learning model Reflection questions for leading book studies

Face-to-Face Interaction

This handbook acts as an essential guide to understanding and using reflective and experiential learning - whether it be for personal or professional development, or as a tool for learning. It takes a fresh look at experiential and reflective learning, locating them within an overall theoretical framework for learning and exploring the relationships between different approaches. As well as the theory, the book provides practical ideas for applying the models of learning, with tools, activities and photocopiable resources which can be incorporated directly into classroom practice. This book is essential reading to guide any teacher, lecturer or trainer wanting to improve teaching and learning.

Introduction to Rubrics

The Sage Handbook of Research on Classroom Assessment provides scholars, professors, graduate students, and other researchers and policy makers in the organizations, agencies, testing companies, and school districts with a comprehensive source of research on all aspects of K-12 classroom assessment. The handbook emphasizes theory, conceptual frameworks, and all varieties of research (quantitative, qualitative, mixed methods) to provide an in-depth understanding of the knowledge base in each area of classroom assessment and how to conduct inquiry in the area. It presents classroom assessment research to convey, in depth, the state of knowledge and understanding that is represented by the research, with particular emphasis on how classroom assessment practices affect student achievement and teacher behavior. Editor James H. McMillan and five Associate Editors bring the best thinking and analysis from leading classroom assessment researchers on the nature of the research, making significant contributions to this prominent and hotly debated topic in education.

English Journal

Writing skills are high on the list of real-world requirements for all students including science students. Every scientific discipline needs professionals who can ably communicate in writing. Scientists must be able to describe their proposed studies for funding considerations, track their observations and results in their own notes, describe their experimental protocols for their peers to replicate, and synthesize their work to the wider world community."

Ambitious Science Teaching

Elementary and Middle School Mathematics

Formative assessment and differentiated instruction made manageable We all recognize the countless benefits of differentiated instruction. The challenge is in its implementation. This start-to-finish guide will show you how through formative assessment and seven classroom-tested practices for maximizing student learning. Packed with vignettes, sample worksheets, and charts, this toolkit demonstrates how to: Establish new classroom norms Involve students in the use of assessment data and feedback to inform their next steps Clarify end-of-unit criteria to help map learning progression Apply assessment data to grouping students for tiered activities Differentiate assignments based on student readiness, characteristics, and interest

Learning Targets

Originally published in 1977. This book focuses on how to do research in the area of face-to-face interaction when studying human social conduct. It covers the methods of data collection and analysis and looks at the efficiency of these. It secondarily considers a model for conceptualising such interactions, drawing together several social science components, especially linguistics, based on the idea that there is an organisational structure at work just as with grammar for language. Overall the book proposes a general conceptual framework for guiding empirical investigation, with emphasis on simultaneous study of a number of acts viewed within each other's contexts. This is an excellent resource for study on non-verbal communications, describing specific studies as well as offering the clear overview and model for research.

Literacies for the 21st Century

It describes each strategy and clarifies its advantages and drawbacks. Also included is a large sample of classroom-tested examples along with sample student responses. These examples can be used "as is" - or you can customize them for your own class. This book will help prepare your students for standardized tests that include items requiring evidence of conceptual understanding. The strategies reflect the assessment Standards benchmarks established by the NCTM. In addition, an entire chapter is devoted to help teachers use these assessments to arrive at their students' grades.

A Handbook of Reflective and Experiential Learning

Science Instruction in the Middle and Secondary Schools

This new edition retains the appeal, clarity and practicality that made the first so successful, and continues to provide a fundamental introduction to the principles and purposes of rubrics, with guidance on how to construct them, use them to align course content to learning outcomes, and apply them in a wide variety of courses, and to all forms of assignment. Reflecting developments since publication of the first edition, the authors have extended coverage to include: * Expanded discussion on use of rubrics for grading * Grading on-line with rubrics * Wider coverage of rubric types (e.g., holistic, rating scales) * Rubric construction in

student affairs * Pros and cons of working with "ready-made" rubrics * Using rubrics to improve your teaching, and for SoTL * Use of rubrics in program assessment (case study) * Application of rubrics in the arts, for study abroad, service learning and students' independent learning * Up-dated literature review

Language Arts and Literacy in the Middle Grades

What is a rubric? A rubric is a coherent set of criteria for student work that describes levels of performance quality. Sounds simple enough, right? Unfortunately, rubrics are commonly misunderstood and misused. The good news is that when rubrics are created and used correctly, they are strong tools that support and enhance classroom instruction and student learning. In this comprehensive guide, author Susan M. Brookhart identifies two essential components of effective rubrics: (1) criteria that relate to the learning (not the "tasks") that students are being asked to demonstrate and (2) clear descriptions of performance across a continuum of quality. She outlines the difference between various kinds of rubrics (for example, general versus task-specific, and analytic versus holistic), explains when using each type of rubric is appropriate, and highlights examples from all grade levels and assorted content areas. In addition, Brookhart addresses * Common misconceptions about rubrics; * Important differences between rubrics and other assessment tools such as checklists and rating scales, and when such alternatives can be useful; and * How to use rubrics for formative assessment and grading, including standards-based grading and report card grades. Intended for educators who are already familiar with rubrics as well as those who are not, this book is a complete resource for writing effective rubrics and for choosing wisely from among the many rubrics that are available on the Internet and from other sources. And it makes the case that rubrics, when used appropriately, can improve outcomes by helping teachers teach and helping students learn.

Using Science Notebooks in Elementary Classrooms

World Windows introduces young learners to essential themes and concepts in Science and Social Studies, through National Geographic photography and content. Using non-fiction readings, World Windows helps to develop young learnerse(tm) fluency in English, and ignites their curiosity about the world around them.

The Public School Journal

Engaging Activities with reproducibles, rubrics, and everything you need to help students get the most out of their independent reading.

Becoming a Globally Competent School Leader

From the son of Dr. Phil McGraw comes Life Strategies for Teens, the New York Times bestselling guide to teenage success, and the first guide to teenage life that won't tell you what to do, or who to be, but rather how to live life best. Are you as tired as I am of books constantly telling you about doing your best to understand your parents, doing your homework, making curfew, getting a haircut, dropping

that hemline, and blah, blah, blah? —Jay McGraw, from the Introduction Well, you don't have to be anymore! Employing the techniques from Dr. Phillip C. McGraw's Life Strategies, his son Jay provides teens with the Ten Laws of Life, which make the journey to adulthood an easier and more fulfilling trip. Whether dealing with the issues of popularity, peer pressure, ambition, or ambivalence, Life Strategies for Teens is an enlightening guide to help teenagers not only stay afloat, but to thrive during these pivotal years. Whether you are a teen looking for a little help, or a parent or grandparent wanting to provide guidance, this book tackles the challenges of adolescence like no other. Combining proven techniques for dealing with life's obstacles and the youth and wit of writer Jay McGraw, Life Strategies for Teens is sure to improve the lives of all who read it.

SAGE Handbook of Research on Classroom Assessment

Developing Presentation Skills

From two prominent scholars in the field of literacy comes a middle school teacher preparation text that offers important innovations not usually found in traditional secondary methods texts. The book is rife with concrete examples of teaching literacy and language arts in middle school contexts, but is relevant to preservice and practicing teachers at middle and high school levels. This edition includes a stronger focus on culturally relevant pedagogy and the needs of English Language Learners as well as a Standards in Practice feature, which helps teachers incorporate state and national standards in teaching and planning. The book is based on a teacher-as-inquirer model. A fieldwork component provides tools for classroom inquiry and reflection in each chapter. The book is timely and relevant, with classroom cases written by experienced and new middle school language arts teachers.

Teaching in the Middle and Secondary Schools

"This eBook features 501 sample writing prompts that are designed to help you improve your writing and gain the necessary writing skills needed to ace essay exams. Build your essay-writing confidence fast with 501 Writing Prompts!" --

Dissertation Abstracts International

Workbook for in-service teachers offering practical strategies for preparing highly focused instructional presentations. Directs teachers to take on tasks of planning instruction, presenting lessons, and assessing learning within the systematic framework of the Instructional Plan to improve presentation skills. Enhances teachers' presentation skills by helping them to design creative, interactive, and student-centered learning experiences for their students. Part II, a collection of essays written by education professionals, provides teachers with pedagogical tools and assignment ideas for their own classroom presentations. Explores technology use in the classroom, professional development, and developing a professional portfolio.

The Yearbook of the National Reading Conference

Peer Assisted Learning (PAL) involves children in school consciously assisting others to learn, and in so doing learning more effectively themselves. It encompasses peer tutoring, peer modeling, peer education, peer counseling, peer monitoring, and peer assessment, which are differentiated from other more general "co-operative learning" methods. PAL is not diluted or surrogate "teaching"; it complements and supplements (but never replaces) professional teaching--capitalizing on the unique qualities and richness of peer interaction and helping students become empowered democratically to take more responsibility for their own learning. In this book, PAL is presented as a set of dynamic, robust, effective, and flexible approaches to teaching and learning, which can be used in a range of different settings. The chapters provide descriptions of good practice blended with research findings on effectiveness. They describe procedures that can be applied to all areas of the school curriculum, and can be used with learners of all levels of ability, including gifted students, students with disabilities, and second-language learners. Among the distinguished contributors, many are from North America, while others are from Europe and Australia. The applicability of the methods they present is worldwide. Peer-Assisted Learning is designed to be accessible and useful to teachers and to those who employ, train, support, consult with, and evaluate them. Many chapters will be helpful to teachers aiming to replicate in their own school environments the cost-effective procedures described. A practical resources guide is included. This volume will also be of interest to faculty and researchers in the fields of education and psychology, to community educators who want to learn about the implications of Peer Assisted Learning beyond school contexts, and to employers and others involved in post-school training.

The On-Your-Foot Guide to Blended Learning

Schools today face a crisis of relevance. Issues that people everywhere face--climate change, disease, hunger--require interdisciplinary solutions. Yet schools are still predominately organized by single-subject courses and narrowly focused high-stakes tests. By contrast, our students need to develop a range of academic, social, and emotional competencies to solve issues that transcend national borders; live peacefully among neighbors in a culturally, politically, racially, ethnically, and religiously diverse society; and thrive in a global, knowledge-based economy. Youth and adults alike know this; it's time for schools to catch up. Global competence--the set of dispositions, knowledge, and skills needed to live and work in a diverse, global society--helps educators balance social-emotional and academic learning goals. To that end, school leaders play a critical role in designing and scaling relevant global learning experiences for both students and teachers. *Becoming a Globally Competent School Leader* details how school leaders can implement change by aligning aspirational initiatives to existing ones, generating will across school stakeholders, wrangling resources, and creating capacity. This book offers a holistic approach to school leadership, one that grounds education in the complexities of the real world and aims to prepare all students to understand, engage with, and influence what happens in that interconnected world.

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