Self-evaluation Rubric for Appropriate Matching Assessment Method to Targets

Skilled	Practiced	Awareness	Pre-awareness
 Use of all types of assessment methods (multiple choice, matching, short answer, essay, performance assessment, personal communication) in the classroom. Test blueprints that indicate how each learning target will be assessed and its relative importance. Matching method to purpose and target. Ability to articulate when to use each assessment method—a skilled person can describe a variety of strategies to check for understanding and the advantages and disadvantages of each. Ability to describe each assessment method. Students who tell you that the assessment really "got at" what was taught and the content of the assessment reflects what the teacher said was important. 	 Can pretty much list various assessment methods, but might have some trouble defining them, or sometimes is inconsistent in identifying examples. Uses various assessment methods, but has difficulty explaining why. Sometimes overuses one form of assessment. Is somewhat afraid of using "traditional" assessment methods because of the recent hype about performance assessment. 	 Has the nagging feeling that assessment could be done better, but has trouble articulating what to do differently. Wants to try more performance assessments, but doesn't know how. Doesn't realize that he or she is already using performance assessments. Notes problems in prepackaged assessments, but is not real sure what to do about it. 	 Uses mostly prepackaged assessments that come with instructional materials without questioning their quality or match to learning targets. Has little variation in the assessment method used. Justifies assessments methods by saying things like, "It's easiest to correct or The publisher provides this test and it must match instruction because I use the publisher's book." Has students who tell you that the content of the assessment didn't match what was taught, or didn't emphasize what the teacher said was important to learn. Has assessments that almost always emphasize lower level knowledge targets. Has a rigid approach to assessment.

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