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Introduction

Review of Concept-based Instruction

As our classrooms become more inclusive, the cognitive and affective variability between students increases. Reaching high academic standards within any such classroom is daunting. With all of these constraints, how do we not teach to the lowest common denominator? How can we ensure success for *all* of our students in the same learning environment without individualizing each student's educational program? How can we be both efficient and effective?

Concept-based instruction (CBI) is a model to mediate curriculum, instruction, and assessment into manageable tasks that enables teachers to make appropriate content-specific information decisions to increase student achievement. CBI is conceptualized below.



For students to make sense of the sheer mass of factual data presented in class, they need an overt and easily accessible strategy to not only organize information into a manageable framework but also link it in such a way that a meaningful connection between unique and different situations develops overtly. Cognitive psychologists have found that increasing the structure and organization of presented material will promote proper encoding into memory storage (Baddely, 1999; Mintzes, Wandersee, & Novak, 1997), and understanding requires relational thinking skills (Bransford, Sherwood, Vye, and Rieser, 1986). Relational thinking denotes the ability of the learner to 'know what to do' and 'why to do it' and is enhanced when thinking is modeled and activated within an intellectual context (Niedelman, 1991). Such intellectual contexts occur when information is organized so that it clearly reflects the "richness of connections between units of knowledge" (Chi & Koeske, 1983). Overtly organizing and linking information into meaningful units allows for greater amounts of material to be recalled and understood (National Research Council, 2000; Baddely, 1999).

Design. Concepts provide the bridge to acquiring relational thinking skills by serving as anchors for the cognitive structure. Attributes are critical to conceptual learning in that they represent the rules students use to categorize and distinguish examples from non-examples. Explicitly specifying the attributes is critical to provide students with the organizational rules that enable them to apply information and knowledge to new circumstances, settings, places, events, and eras. For example, a river is an example of a social studies concept that transcends time and place. Its attributes are: (a) a large natural stream of water, (b) flows from higher to lower elevation, and (c) empties into another body of water. Often, the tendency is to jump from the concept label, in this case "river" to specific examples, such as the Nile or Mississippi. A non-example is a creek. Though it consists of two attributes of river, as defined here, conceptually it is not a large body of water. Attributes help to avoid misrules in learning by providing a fundamental link that is constant across virtually all examples of the concept (Tindal, Nolet, & Blake, 1992).

Delivery. CBI uses graphic organizers (GOs) as a visual and organizational representation of knowledge forms to communicate relationships between concepts (Tukey, 1990), rather than requiring students to use cognitive resources that they may not possess to extract relationships from text (Robinson, 1998). GOs provide students with a meaningful conceptual framework from which they can activate their prior knowledge to create new schema in learning material (Ausebel, 1968). GOs improve comprehension by activating prior knowledge better and faster than text itself (Dunston, 1992).

Assessment. Research has repeatedly shown that students with disabilities, non-identified low achieving students, and students at-risk of academic failure do not succeed in factually based assessments (Schulte, Villwock, Whichard, & Stallings, 2001, Prater, 1993), yet these are the most prominent types of assessments used. CBI uses assessments that support the development of critical thinking skills by requiring learners to first acquire and control factual information as a basis for manipulating information in establishing relationships between knowledge forms. The process of acquiring critical thinking skills should be viewed as a continuum of both depth and breadth of declarative content knowledge and procedural problem-solving skills (Tindal & Nolet, 1995). To reflect this continuum, assessment systems should be designed to measure improvement of and be sensitive to all performing students in inclusive general education settings.

Overview of Training Module

This training module is divided into five sections, each of which is designed to give you step-by-step practice in developing a concept-based instructional unit.

- Instructional Planning and Curriculum Analysis: How do you figure out what concepts you want students to learn in a given unit? What sort of issues do you need to consider in your planning to make your teaching effective?
- Instructional Delivery: How do you design your curriculum to ensure that it is accessible to as wide a range of students as possible? What modifications and graphic organizers make most sense to use—and when does it make most sense to present them—in a particular unit?
- Independent Activity: How do you design activities for students to complete independently which help them learn to apply the concepts presented in a particular unit to other situations?
- Assessment: How do you design and implement assessments in a way that provides you with feedback you can use to evaluate and improve both student learning and your own instruction?
- Teacher Reflection: What sort of questions should you ask yourself at the end of each unit to allow you to continue to improve as a teacher?

Each section first provides you with information about that particular facet of teaching, then presents an in-class practice exercise designed to clarify the concepts and activities you will be using to organize your thoughts in that particular area. Each section concludes with a homework assignment which will allow you to apply concept-based instruction to a unit or units of your own choosing.

After completing this training module, you will be proficient with the process of designing, delivering, and assessing content material conceptually, thus ensuring that *all* students in your classes have been presented information in a way that makes the important concepts in your curriculum transparent. Your curriculum will be aligned with the state standards, and you will have additional resources to enhance your lessons. Finally, you will be proficient in designing and using assessment measures that will inform your teaching and track students' learning to allow for better instructional decision-making.

Section 1:

Instructional Planning and Curriculum Analysis

CLASSROOM EXAMPLE

Key Issues

When reviewing section 1, participating in the assigned tasks and creating your own concept based instruction units; you might like to keep the following key issues in mind.

Concepts and Attributes Long-term Planning Review Strategies Note Taking Strategies Curriculum Resources Integration of Technology in the Curriculum Demonstrations and Experimentation Student Background and Skill Student Motivation Student Accommodations

Curriculum Material

Textbooks

Mayer-Watt, S. (1986). no-glamour grammar. East Moline, Il: LinguiSystems, Inc.

Chapter Summary

This chapter from the text book <u>No-Glamour Grammar</u> deals with the concept of writing sentences. This task is broken down into small increments of learning and builds on initial skills and information presented. As the unit progresses the difficulty increases. This unit follows the following outline:

- 1) An explanation of the grammar concept
- 2) Some examples of usage
- 3) Exercises involving the identification of the grammar concept
- 4) An exercise that involves fill-in-the-blank and/or multiple-choice and/or sentence writing exercises targeting the particular concept

From this conceptual unit students will be able apply their knowledge of sentence writing to any content area.



Sentences

Rule: The subject of a sentence can be plural (more than one).

Here are some examples.

Some boys	Mice	The doors	My ideas	The buildings
My books	The pencils	The girts	The people	Those trees

Here is how these subjects are used in sentences.

- My books are new.
- 2. The pencils fell off the desk.
- 3. The girls are sisters.
- 4. The people were angry.
- 5. Those trees shade the yard.
- 6. Some boys broke the window.
- 7. Mice ate the cheese.
- 8. The doors closed slowly.
- 9. My ideas are good.
- 10. The buildings looked tall.



8. My books are all about animals.

6. The buildings need remodeling.

7. The people understood.

4. Some boys cleaned the yard.

5. The pencils broke.

3. Those trees are pine.

2. Mice ran everywhere.

Sentences

Circle the complete subject in each sentence. The complete subject may be more than one word.

Example: The pencils are new.

1. The girls talked a lot.

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12. The girls played soccer.

11. Those trees have dropped their leaves.

10. My ideas need to change.

9. The doors are all closed.

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Sentences	Sentences
Finish each sentence using the subject pronoun given.	Rules: A sentence is made up of a complete subject and a complete predicate. If either part is missing, then it is not a sentence.
Example: You are my best friend.	The subject is who or what the sentence is about.
	The predicate gives information about the subject. The predicate always includes a verb. It may include other words besides the verb.
ans	Here are some examples of predicates.
	fight sometimes sleeps look sleepy runs and jumps fly play in the yard dance make a lot of noise sees the bird work hard
14 14	Here is how these predicates are used in sentences.
6. We	1. The brothers fight sometimes.
7. She	2. The children look sleepy.
8	5. Bob sees the bird.
9. They	The horse runs and jumps.
и п	9. The ducks make a lot of noise.
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Sentences	Sentences
Fill in the blank with a predicate from the box. There may be more than one choice. Use each answer once.	Finish each sentence using the predic
	Example: The singers make a lot of noise.
play in the yard make a lot of noise fly runs and jumps fight sometimes sees the bird looks sleepy sleep work hard dance	te bird 1
cxampe: Jorn and Linda <u>rugen some umes.</u>	3 sees the bird.
1. At the ballet, they	4 play in the yard.
2. The busy mothers	5 looks sleepy.
3. During the day, owis	
4. The excited cat	
5. My tired puppy	/ make a lot of noise.
6. The children	8 dance.
7. The firecrackers	
8. The track star	10. fight sometimes.
9. The jealous sisters	
10. The paper airplanes	
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Concepts, Attributes, Examples, and Non-Examples

The concept presented throughout this unit is *simple sentences*. Each lesson within this unit focuses on a different example of this concept. The attributes that support and define this concept for this unit are (a) *punctuation*, (b) *subject*, and (c) *predicate*. Each attribute is thoroughly described below.

Punctuation: Punctuation is the visual sign which helps a reader distinguish between words and sentences and helps the reader understand the relationships between words. Technically, capitalizing, spaces between words, and indentations at the start of paragraphs are all forms of punctuation. But usually when we speak of punctuation, we speak of the symbols we use to mark sentences--the punctuation marks. They help the reader understand exactly what the writer's intentions are. In English the following punctuation marks are normally used: **period**, **question mark**, **exclamation point**, **comma**, **semicolon**, **colon**, **quotation marks**, **single quotation marks**, **italics**, **underlining**, **dash**, **hyphen**, **parentheses**, **brackets**, **ellipsis**, and **virgule**. Non-examples include the absence of a capital letter at the beginning of a sentence or the absence of punctuation at the end of a sentence.

Subject: The subject of a sentence or clause is the part of the sentence or clause about which *something* is being said. *It* is usually the doer of the action. *It* is a noun or a

pronoun. *The examples* or subjects in this section are italicized. Non-examples would include sentence fragments, predicate nouns: He was <u>king</u> or exclamations: Look out!

Predicate: The predicate of a sentence is that part of the sentence which says something about the subject. It expresses the action of the sentence or the condition of the subject. The complete predicate contains the verb with its modifiers plus any complements and their modifiers. The verb is sometimes referred to as the simple predicate. Non-examples include sentence fragments, dependent clauses or the subject of a sentences.

Concept	Attributes	Examples /Non Examples
	Punctuation	Example: Capital Letters, commas, periods, exclamation marks Non-example: words, clause, phrase
A sentence	Subject (In italics)	Example: <i>The dog</i> is big. <i>We</i> are smart. <i>Her house</i> is yellow.Non-example: I like <i>apples</i>. <i>Walked to the football game</i>.
	Predicate	 Example: The wind <i>is blowing fiercely</i>. <i>Gone is</i> the wildlife that used to inhabit this forest. Non-example: The <i>king</i>; <i>Brittney Spears</i>; <i>Tall, round and blue</i>.

Concept Example:	Simple Sentence
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Teacher Collaboration and Support for Students with Special Needs

For a number of reasons, teachers should collaborate in developing concept-based instructional units. First, it takes considerable time to develop them, requiring teachers to analyze curriculum, develop attributes, organize examples, and consider various instructional tactics. Second, they foster a common language for teachers to share both their own teaching emphasis as well as student learning. Third, they provide a built-in support system applicable for the full range of students: concept-based instruction works particularly well for those with special needs (both those with reading difficulties and those with talents). Yet, even with a common language, students with special needs may need specific accommodations to access the lesson. If the unit is ostensibly about writing sentences, then reading need not be essential, and students who are not fluent in reading should still be able to participate. This statement should not be taken as an endorsement that learning to read is not important. Rather, it is meant simply to emphasize an important distinction: learning to read fluently versus reading to understand content. With a concept-based unit, the focus is learning not only about specific skills but about the process of writing skills. Collaboration between teachers helps ensure that more students benefit from CBI.

Several accommodations may be needed to ensure that all students learn the concept of writing sentences, even students who cannot write proficiently in their first language. Following are five specific examples of accommodations, though many more possibilities could be developed.

1. Have the student dictate to a scribe what they would like in their sentence.

2. Have student work with a graphic organizer that focuses on the essential parts of a sentence.

3. Let students write the sentences on the word processor or computer.

4. Have students use oral examples of good sentences.

5. Have students sort examples and non-examples of sentences and then copy the examples into their book.

6. Have students underline the important elements or correct omissions from sentences provided.

Graphic Organizer - Simple Sentences Unit



The basic shape of the lesson is one of model-lead-test in which teachers actively shape the phases of instruction. This kind of planning allows any number of activities to be embedded within these three phases.

Ideally, the lesson has an advance organizer at the core of the instructional plan (see Ausabul, 1968, for the initial presentation of this component). An advance organizer provides an overview of the entire lesson, the direction to be taken and the content to be addressed. With concept-based instruction, the concept map is the most obvious and easy way to present an advance organizer.

Several researchers have completed studies in this area, referring to advance organizers as concept maps, graphic organizers, mind maps, and webbing. The findings from most of these studies are that advance organizers are effective in helping students organize information.

This graphic could be displayed as a series of events chain in which the subject of the sentence and the predicate of the sentence are joined and the punctuation is applied. In this rendering, it is important to recognize that the order of application is not important as long as the sentence is logical. The attribute of punctuation can be the first step in writing the sentence by beginning with a capital letter or punctuation can be the last step once the subject and predicate are logically interwoven. As long as all attributes are present the order in which they were applied is not important.

State Standards Alignment

Content Domain	Common Curriculum Goal	Content Standard	Benchmark Level: Stage 2	Rationale for Including
Writing	Communicate information and express ideas in written form for a variety of audiences and purposes.	Communicate information and express ideas in written/ videotext* form for a variety of audiences and purposes	Write/ compose short phrases, lists and simple sentences.	This unit provides a basis for understanding sentences and the mechanics of writing simple sentences.

The curriculum unit presented here aligns with the Oregon State Content Standards in Second Languages (World Languages).

Additional Resources

Listed below are resources related to the content of this instructional unit.

World La	anguages Web Sites
Source	Rationale for Using
ACTFL American Council for Teachers of Foreign Languages http://www.actfl.org/body.cfm	The American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages-ACTFL- is a national organization dedicated to the improvement and expansion of the teaching and learning of all languages at all levels of instruction. ACTFL is an individual membership organization of more than 7,000 foreign language educators and administrators from elementary through graduation education, as well as government and industry.
COFLT Confederation in Oregon for Foreign Language Teachers http://www.open.org/coflt/a.htm	COFLT is a state organization dedicated to the improvement and expansion of all languages in the state of Oregon. All levels of instruction are included as well as private school teachers and retired persons.
National Foreign Language Resource Center (nflrc) http://www.lll.hawaii.edu/nflrc/	National Foreign Language Resource Center (nflrc) in Hawaii. This is an excellent resource for foreign language teaching strategies, language testing and curriculum development.
National Capital Language Resource Center http://www.cal.org/nclrc/	National Capital Language Resource Center is one of nine federally funded language resource centers. The mission of the NCLRC is to serve as a resource to improve the teaching and learning of languages other than English. It is collaboration between Georgetown University and Center for Applied Linguistics and The George Washington University.
Multiple language Site Berlitz: Helping the World Communicate http://www.berlitz.com/whatsnew.html	This site has lots of material for teachers and a chat for kids.
Internet Activities for Foreign Language Classes <u>http://www.radel.com/games/guessing/control</u> .html	This is an excellent drill and practice web site for both teachers and students. The site allows you to practice and gives you a score. The worksheets can be downloaded for classroom use without computers.
Agora Language Marketplace http://agoralang.com/	This is an excellent site for teachers of various modern languages.

IN-CLASS PRACTICE EXERCISE

Key Issues

Considering the content you intend to cover and the student population you will be addressing, identify important issues to take into account prior to instruction. Consider actions you will need to take when planning this unit.

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Curriculum Material

Textbook

Mayer-Watt, S. (1986). no-glamour grammar. East Moline, II: LinguiSystems, Inc.

Content Chapter

Read the following textbook chapter.

Write a sentence for each verb. Use the present tense. Example: deny <u>She denies that she is old</u> ,	Present Tense		
	ŝ	happens. The present tense of the verb <i>run</i> is used with subject pronouns.	
	singular		
	l run we you run you he, she, it runs they	we run you run they run	
	Rules: The subject of a sentence is who or what the sentence is about.	s who or what the sentence is about.	
	Add an s to the end of a verb in the he, she, or <i>it</i> (singular subjects).	$rac{1}{2}$ Add an s to the end of a verb in the present tense whenever the subject can be replaced by h_e , she, or <i>it</i> (singular subjects).	
	Here are some examples of singular subjects.	subjects.	
	he (Mr. Jones)	she (Linda) it (the machine)	
	Here is how these singular subjects a tense.	Here is how these singular subjects are used in a sentence with the verb <i>run</i> in the present tense.	
	1. He runs daily.	4. Mr. Jones runs after work.	
	2. She runs home. 3. It runs smoothly.	5. Linda runs a lot. 6. The machine runs by itself.	
	Write the present tense of the verb stops in the blank.	stops in the blank.	
	Example: My boyfriend <u>stops</u>		
	1. He	4. The boat	
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Present Tense

Present Tense	Present Tense			
in each blank. Use <i>comes</i>	Rule: Add an s to the with <i>h</i> e, <i>sh</i> e, or <i>sh</i> , <i>ch</i> , <i>x</i> , or <i>o</i> .	Add an s to the end of a present tense verb whenever the subject can be replaced with he , she , or it . Add as to the end of the verb whenever the verb ends with s, z, sh , ch , x, or o.	arb whenever the subject the verb whenever the v	can be replaced verb ends with s, z,
Examples: The party	Here are some examples.	nples.		
She Corries over to talk.	× 5	kiss kiss es burz burz ae	catch fiv	catches
The children come home around 3:00 P.M.	2 2		≦ 8	does
1. The mail late every day.	Write the correct pr	Write the correct present tense form of the verb in the blank.	n the blank.	
2. She from a rice family.	Example: toss	The dog tosses	his head back.	26
3. The people from all over	t box The	The fighter	every day.	
4. He from Arizona.	2. do The	The machine	the work.	and the
	3. latch The	The guard	the door.	
5. Christmas in December.	4. fish The	The old man	for his dinner.	
6. The bus	5. whizz The	The race car	by us.	
7. The dogs when we call.	6. sketch The	The artist	the baby.	
- The second sec	7. go Av	A vacation	quickly.	
o. weeach year by train.	8. frizz Her	Her hair	_ in the fog.	
9. You in where it is warm.	9. dress The	The boy	in his suit.	
10. The motorcycle from Japan.	10. crash The	The toy	to the ground.	
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Present Tense	Tense			Present Tense	nse			
Rule: When	a present tense verb ends wit	Rule: When a present tense verb ends with a vowel $+ y$, then just add s.		Rule: When a	Rule: When a present tense verb ends with a consonant $+ y$, change y to i and add es.	ends with a conson	ant + y, change)	/ to / and add es.
Example: delay	elay delays			Here are some examples.	examples.			
						S.	fly	flies
Write the pre	Write the present tense form of the verb given.	ven.			deny de	re lies deni es		hurnes carries
Example: repay	The gambler	repays the money he borrows.	(
1. enjoy	Lou	eating a big meal.		Write the correc Example: reply	Write the correct present tense form of the verb in the blank. Example: repty He always replies with	n of the verb in the replies	blank.	
2. relay	Не	the message to me by phone.		1. carry	e e	all the w	all the weight by herself.	
3. pay	Mrs. Lewis	me each Saturday.			The rabbit	ac	across the path.	
4. say	ttt	_ Keep Off the Grass.		3. rely	The horse	Б	on its owner for food.	
5. plav	Mv teacher	the orden too		4. fly	The plane	cio	close to the ground.	
				5. deny	Ь	the charge	the charges against him.	
6. annoy	That sound	me.		6. bury	The dog	his t	his bone in the ground.	
7. employ	This company	forty-three people.		7. cry	Bobby	when I	when he wakes up.	
8. destroy	The wind	the flowers		8. marry	She	no nhol	John on Saturday.	
				9. spy	Ь	through th	through the keyhole.	
9. stay	My dog	on command.		10. try	Mary always		to help.	
10. delay	Mom	dinner until six.						
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Chapter Summary

After reading the preceding textbook chapter, write a description of the content. Highlight important issues presented in the material.

Concepts, Attributes, Examples, and Non-Examples

Use the following definitions, explanations, and examples to identify the concepts, attributes, examples, and non-examples from the text passage provided.

- <u>Concept</u>: a class of events, names, dates, etc. that share a common set of defining attributes or characteristics. A concept is timeless, universal, abstract and broad, and is usually represented by 1-2 words. When identifying a concept, consider why it is important that students learn this information. This will lead you to a broader vision of the topic and assist in the articulation of the concept.
- <u>Attribute</u>: essential element of a concept. Attributes help students gain a deeper understanding of the concept. Once you have identified a concept and several examples, identify the critical characteristics of the concept. To assist in this process, write a dictionary definition of the concept. What defines the concept and is consistent across all examples of the concept? These are the attributes.

Concept	Attributes	Examples /Non Examples	
	Gathering of People	Example: friends, co-workers	
		Non-example: jail inmates	
Party	Distinct Event	Example: Lava Lounge from 8 – 10 pm	
	(particular location,	Non-example: Shopping mall from 2 – 4 pm	
	specific time, etc.)		
	Intent to Have Fun	Example: celebrating an event	
		Non-example: a somber occasion to morn an event	
	Activities	Example: eating, dancing, games, talking	
		Non-example: studying	
	Party Items	Example: stereo, food, decorations	
		Non-example: none	

CONCEPT EXAMPLE

Complete the following charts for the information presented in the content chapter provided. Use the "Key Concepts" chart to identify the critical components presented in the chapter. You may find more or less than ten key concepts. Use additional paper if necessary.

KEY CONCEPTS



From the list above, isolate several main ideas and write these in the space provided for "Important Ideas." You may have more or less than three important ideas.

1.	IMPORTANT IDEAS
2.	
3.	

From the list above, determine the concept and supporting attributes for each important idea. Write this information in the "Concept Descriptions" chart below. Identify plausible examples and non-examples for each attribute. Use additional paper if necessary.

Concept	Attributes	Examples /Non Examples
1		
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CONCEPT DESCRIPTIONS

* Use additional paper if needed.

Tindal, G., Nolet, V., & Blake, G. (1992). Research, consultation, & teaching program training module No. 3: Focus of teaching and learning in content classes. Eugene, OR: University of Oregon, Behavioral Research and Teaching.

State Standards Alignment

Describe the alignment of this curriculum with the state standards. Refer to the Department of Education's website for an updated version of the state standards in your grade level and content area. Include as much information as is available from your state and/or content area.

Content Domain	Common Curriculum Goal	Content Standard	Benchmark Level:	Rationale for Including

* Use additional paper if needed.

Instructional Planning and Curriculum Analysis Peer Evaluation Form

Your Name: ______ Name of the person whose paper you are evaluating: ______

Please review the Instructional Delivery plan. Evaluate each section using the criteria provided. Write a positive comment and areas for improvement. Once finished, sign and return the evaluation to the author of the paper. This evaluation will be submitted with the final draft of this section.

Peer Review Evaluation	Points Earned
Key Issues: substantial and significant key issues are unique and relevant to the	
unit.	/0.5
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
Curriculum Material	
1. Textbook citation is correctly formatted.	/0.5
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
2. Chapter summary is complete and accurate. Important and relevant information is included.	/0.5
Positive Comment:	70.5
Areas for Improvement:	
Concept Analysis	
1. Concepts and attributes are clearly identified. Attributes are critical and important for understanding the concept.	/1
Positive Comment:	

Areas for Improvement:	
2. Examples and non-examples are clearly identified and reasonable. Examples	
help clarify the concept and attributes.	/1
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
State Standards Alignment	
1. Relevant information is provided relating the state standards to the unit.	
	/0.5
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
2. Curriculum is appropriately aligned with the state standards identified.	
Rationale for alignment is clear and reasonable.	/0.5
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
Additional Resources: a variety of relevant and useful resources are included.	(0,5
NOT REQUIRED FOR THE IN-CLASS PRACTICE	/0.5
Possible suggestions for sources of additional information:	
Final Comments:	
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HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT

Key Issues

Considering the content you intend to cover and the student population you will be addressing, identify important issues to take into account prior to instruction. Consider actions you will need to take when planning this unit.

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Curriculum Material

<u>Textbook</u>

Locate and photocopy a textbook chapter or section from your area of interest. Provide a citation using the appropriate format as specified in the latest edition of the *Publication manual* of the American Psychological Association.

Please note: If your text book is in another language other than English please make copious notes on a photocopied copy of the chapter so others, not familiar with the language, are able to understand the content in the chapter when reviewing the textbook chapter directly.

Chapter Summary

Write a narrative description of the content. Include all important information and issues presented in the text material.

Content Planning Worksheet

Complete the following planning worksheet for a 2- to 3-week segment of content you plan to teach. This segment probably would correspond to a chapter in the textbook you normally use in the class specified, but it could correspond to an entire unit in the textbook, or a few chapters taught together as a short unit, or selected parts of a chapter. However, please refer to a complete segment rather than a specific lesson or set of lessons. For example, if you generally give a test about every two or three weeks (or three or four times a quarter), think of all the material you teach between each test.

Content Planning Worksheet

Specific Directions CONCEPTS

Please use this definition of concept:

- Concepts are specific words or short phrases that refer to classes of objects or events that share some common defining attributes.
- Concepts involve three parts: a label, key attributes, and a range of examples.
- 1. Please identify the key concepts that you consider *critical* for understanding the content you plan to teach during the three-week interval indicated. Learning these concepts would, in your opinion, mark the difference between mastery and non-mastery of the material you will cover.

List as many concepts as you feel are important, **up to ten**. Concepts you might target could include terms such as "molecule," "fossil fuel," "holy war," or "vassal." However, *specific examples* of concepts would not be applicable. For example, the concept "epoch" might be exemplified by "ancient Greece," "ancient Rome," or "the middle ages." These examples would not qualify as concepts according to the definition used here.

- 2. List one or two key defining attributes for each concept. These attributes would enable discrimination between what is and is not an example of the concept.
- 3. Provide 2 or 3 examples of each concept AND when possible or applicable also include non-examples that further aid in discrimination of the critical features of the concept.

KEY CONCEPTS



CONCEPT DESCRIPTIONS

Concept	Attributes	Examples /Non Examples
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* Use additional paper if needed.

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IMPORTANT IDEAS

Please list **up to three** ideas that you believe are critical to mastery of the content you will teach. Ideas are more general than specific concepts in that they represent unifying themes or topics. Please focus on ideas contained within the context of a single unit rather than global themes or topics that cut across the entire course.

For example, in a unit on fossil fuels, you might want students to understand the idea that "Use of fossil fuels results in environmental damage in the form of increased greenhouse gasses and acid precipitation." This idea would be more context-specific than the global theme, "Humans interact with their environment in a variety of ways, with both positive and negative effects," which could apply to a wide range of applications across a science curriculum.

Please frame the important ideas you want the students to learn as complete sentences, not phrases.

IMPORTANT IDEAS

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State Standards Alignment

Describe the alignment of this curriculum with the state standards. Refer to the Department of Education's website for an updated version of the state standards in your grade level and content area. Include as much information as is available from your state and/or content area.

Common Curriculum Goal	Content Standard	Benchmark Level:	Rationale for Including
	Curriculum	Curriculum	Curriculum

* Use additional paper if needed

Additional Resources

Please list additional resources related to the content of this instructional unit. State the source and provide a rationale for using this source for this unit.

Additional Resources for:			
Source	Rationale for Using		

* Use additional paper if needed.

Instructional Planning and Curriculum Analysis Evaluation Form

Your Name: ______ Name of the person whose paper you are evaluating: ______

Please review the Instructional Delivery plan. Evaluate each section using the criteria provided. Write a positive comment and areas for improvement. Once finished, sign and return the evaluation to the author of the paper. This evaluation will be submitted with the final draft of this section.

Peer Review Evaluation	Instructor Evaluation (Do not write in these boxes)	Points Earned
Key Issues : substantial and significant key issues are unique and relevant to the unit. Positive Comment:		/0.5
Areas for Improvement:		
Curriculum Material		
1. Textbook citation is correctly formatted.		/0.5
Positive Comment:		
Areas for Improvement:		
2. Chapter summary is complete and accurate. Important and relevant information is included. Positive Comment:		/0.5
Areas for Improvement:		
Concept Analysis		
1. Concepts and attributes are clearly identified. Attributes are critical and important for understanding the concept.		/1
Positive Comment:		
Areas for Improvement:]	
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2. Examples and non-examples are clearly		
identified and reasonable. Examples help		/1
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clarify the concept and attributes. Positive Comment:		
Positive Comment:		
Areas for Improvement:		
State Standards Alignment		
1. Relevant information is provided		
relating the state standards to the unit.		/0.5
Positive Comment:		
Areas for Improvement:		
2. Curriculum is appropriately aligned with		
the state standards identified. Rationale for		/0.5
alignment is clear and reasonable.		
Positive Comment:		
Areas for Improvement:		
Additional Resources: a variety of		
relevant and useful resources are included.		/0.5
Positive Comment:		
Areas for Improvement:		
Final Comments:		
<u> </u>	Total Score	/5

Section 2:

Instructional Delivery

CLASSROOM EXAMPLE

Key Issues

When reviewing section 2, participating in the assigned tasks and creating your own concept based instruction units; you might like to keep the following key issues in mind.

Classroom Management Transitions Change-ups Directions Examples and Demonstrations Probing Student Knowledge Feedback and Rejoinders Review Techniques Teacher-Student Discourse Relevance and Importance to Student Teacher Content Knowledge

Instructional Sequence

The following sequence of instructional events occurs during the presentation of this unit. Interactive teaching is illustrated by integrating critical thinking skills into the instructional sequence.

- The unit introduction will include a discussion of the importance of writing sentences. It
 will also introduce the various scenarios that would require a person to write sentences.
 Students will be asked to make suggestions about where and when they would be
 required to use written sentences to express themselves.
- 2. The graphic organizer is introduced and distributed. Each attribute is thoroughly explained and students are encouraged to define the attributes in their own words. Examples of the concept and attributes are solicited from students and written on a master copy of the graphic organizer (*illustration*).
- 3. The simple sentence is introduced and explained. Students are probed for the defining characteristics or attributes of simple sentences by referring back to their experiences as described in the unit introduction. Teacher and students will write this information on the graphic organizer provided.
- 4. As textbooks are not used in this classroom, the instructor must provide content. Instruction will continue with the teacher presenting detailed information about the attributes that further define the concept. The teacher will ask *reiteration* questions to make sure the information is cemented in the notes. As an example, the instructor might ask the students to explain what the difference is between a subject and a predicate or how punctuation might be used in a sentence.

- 5. Examples and non-examples will also be stated. Students will be asked to provide new examples and non-examples for each attribute.
- 6. Word banks and a punctuation bank will be created through a brainstorming process. Students will be engaged in this activity through the brainstorming process by making predictions or suggestions of what should be included in each bank. Students will then apply their knowledge of sentence writing by using the information in the word and punctuation banks to create sentences. Students will also be asked to evaluate the sentences of their peers to further their understanding and to clarify any misunderstandings or questions.
- 7. The teacher will return to the graphic organizer to record and clarify student observations about simple sentences.
- 8. Next some examples of student sentences will be displayed for the class. The teacher and the students will highlight the examples of sentences and identify the non-examples of sentences. Students will also be asked to justify their answers using their knowledge.
- 9. The lesson concludes with a description of the attributes of the concept of the simple sentence. An oral response session will conclude the class session to check for student understanding of the concept being taught. Students will be asked to give an oral example of a simple sentence.

Situating Content and Context

The actual delivery of instruction needs to have a strong beginning that engages students from the outset. Probably the biggest mistake teachers make is assuming that students have adequate prior knowledge of the content to begin learning it and that they know how to place the content in some context. Therefore, as a rule, it may be important to start new units with an activity that allows students an opportunity to participate immediately.

This initial phase of the lesson provides a general introduction to the concept. The teacher frames attributes and examples broadly, rather than focusing on the specific examples to be used within this particular section of the curriculum. For example, students could be surveyed to determine what they write, how much they write and what the components are of writing. It's likely that no one in the class will have brought up sentence writing or the parts of a sentence, but they all know something about sentences based on their prior experience with writing. This line of questioning lets the teacher try to get at the reason for writing and more specifically at the purpose and importance of sentence writing.

Instructional Modifications

The following instructional modifications can be made to accommodate the diverse community of learners within this classroom.

- 1. Photocopied notes will be provided for students unable to take notes from the overhead.
- 2. Supplementary material to address the needs of students with a variety of reading abilities can be provided.
- 3. A classroom instructional aid may be available to assist students with disabilities and English Language Learners.

Graphic Organizer



IN-CLASS PRACTICE EXERCISE

Key Issues

Considering the content you intend to cover and the student population you will be addressing, identify important issues to consider prior to the presentation of instruction. Consider actions you will need to take when presenting this unit.



Instructional Sequence

Design an instructional plan for the presentation of the information provided. Include a range of examples and non-examples you will use to teach the concept(s) and attributes. Include examples of interactive teaching. Clearly identify problem-solving scenarios that reflect a range of intellectual operations.

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Graphic Organizers

A graphic organizer is a visual, non-linear representation of the linkages among knowledge forms. When designing a graphic organizer, it is important to emphasize the relationships and simplify the information to be presented. Below are several examples of different graphic organizers.







Comparative and Contrastive Map

Concept 2

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Graphic Organizer

Sketch a graphic organizer for the content provided that shows the key relationships among concept(s) and attributes. You may design your own or use one of the examples shown above.

Instructional Modifications

List instructional modifications you will make to accommodate the diverse community of learners within your classroom.

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* Use additional paper if needed.

Instructional Delivery Peer Evaluation Form

Your Name: ______ Name of the person whose paper you are evaluating: ______

Please review the Instructional Delivery plan. Evaluate each section using the criteria provided. Write a positive comment and areas for improvement. Once finished, sign and return the evaluation to the author of the paper. This evaluation will be submitted with the final draft of this section.

Peer Review Evaluation	Points Earned
Key Issues: substantial and significant key issues are unique and relevant to the	
lesson described.	/0.5
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
Instructional Delivery	
1. Conceptual framework (concepts, attributes, examples and non-examples) and	
graphic organizer are explicitly introduced.	/0.5
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
2. Instructional sequence flows in a logical order. Instructional sequence is rich	
and provides a detailed list of activities to be completed.	/1
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
3. Interactive teaching techniques are integrated into the instructional sequence	
with clearly identified intellectual operations that elicit higher order thinking.	/1
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	

Graphic Organizer	
1. Concepts and attributes are clearly identified.	
	/0.5
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
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2. Graphic organizer explicates the organization and structure of the content.	
2. Graphic organizer explicates the organization and structure of the content.	/0.5
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Areas for Improvement:	
Instructional Modifications	
1. Instructional modifications are clearly articulated in sentence format.	
	/0.5
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
2. Instructional modifications address the need of diverse learners.	
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Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
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Final Comments:	
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HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT

Key Issues

Considering the content you intend to cover and the student population you will be addressing, identify important issues to take into account prior to the presentation of instruction. Consider actions you will need to take when presenting this unit.

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Instructional Sequence

Design an instructional plan for the presentation of the information you have chosen. Include a range of examples and non-examples you will use to teach the concept(s) and attributes. Clearly identify problem-solving scenarios that reflect a range of intellectual operations.

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Graphic Organizer

A graphic organizer is a visual, non-linear representation of the linkages among knowledge forms. When designing a graphic organizer, it is important to emphasize the relationships and simplify the information to be presented.

Sketch a graphic organizer for the content you have chosen that shows the key relationships among concept(s) and attributes. You may use a separate piece of paper if you prefer.

Instructional Modifications

List instructional modifications you will make to accommodate the diverse community of learners within your classroom.

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* Use additional paper if needed.

Instructional Delivery Evaluation Form

Your Name: ______ Name of the person whose paper you are evaluating: ______

Please review the Instructional Delivery plan. Evaluate each section using the criteria provided. Write a positive comment and areas for improvement. Once finished, sign and return the evaluation to the author of the paper. This evaluation will be submitted with the final draft of this section.

Peer Review Evaluation	Instructor Evaluation (Do not write in these boxes)	Points Earned
Key Issues: substantial and significant key issues are unique and relevant to the unit. Positive Comment:		/0.5
Areas for Improvement:		
Instructional Delivery 1. Conceptual framework and graphic		
organizer are explicitly introduced. Positive Comment:		/0.5
Areas for Improvement:		
2. Instructional sequence flows in a logical order and provides a detailed list of activities to be completed. Positive Comment:		/1
Areas for Improvement:		
3. Interactive teaching techniques are integrated into the instructional sequence with clearly identified intellectual operations that elicit higher order thinking. Positive Comment:		/1
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Areas for Improvement:		
Graphic Organizer		
1. Concepts and attributes are clearly		
identified.		/0.5
Positive Comment:		
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Areas for Improvement:		
2. Graphic organizer explicates the		
organization and structure of the content.		/0.5
Positive Comment:		
Areas for Improvement:	-	
Areas for improvement.		
Instructional Modifications		
1. Instructional modifications are clearly		
articulated in sentence format.		/0.5
Positive Comment:		
Areas for Improvement:		
Areas for improvement.		
2. Instructional modifications address the		
need of diverse learners.		/0.5
Positive Comment:		
Areas for Improvement:	4	
Final Comments:		
	Total Score	/5

Section 3: Independent Activity

CLASSROOM EXAMPLE

Key Issues

When reviewing section 3, participating in the assigned tasks and creating your own concept based instruction units; you might like to keep the following key issues in mind.

Change-ups Monitoring Students Individual Assistance Closure

Independent Activity

In order to ensure that students are learning the material you are presenting, students need to practice putting all of the pieces together and they need to practice actively working through problems or situations. The following activities could be used in a unit on simple sentences to help deepen students' understanding of the concepts covered in class.

- Sort sentence examples and non examples and describe the characteristics which either qualify or disqualify an example.
- Focusing on a group of sentence examples identify all the similarities within the sentences. Determine if these are attributes of a sentence. Discuss the similarities and differences between the examples of sentences.
- Have students create examples and non-examples of sentences and then explain why their examples are or are not sentences.
- Provide students with a list of possible sentences. Have each student evaluate if the example is a sentence or not. Once the student has made their decision they must be able to explain their reasoning and support their answer.
- With a partner have students explain what a sentence is to their partner using their own definition and examples and then help the student create a sentence.

Sample Student Assignment: Writing Simple Sentences

<u>Student Instructions</u>: Follow the steps outlined below to organize your information and then write examples.

 Your first step is to decide on the topic to write about. Remember that you will need to know enough vocabulary and information on this topic to write a variety of sentences. Try to find a topic that you are familiar with and have been exposed to in your class.

- 2) Using a graphic organizer brainstorm a list of possible subjects, predicates and punctuation marks appropriate for this activity. Use this graphic organizer to sort the information into themes or commonalities.
- 3) Using the information on your graphic organizer write ten to twelve simple sentences on a single topic. Each sentence will be marked out of three possible points. Please refer to the scoring guide below to see how your work will be evaluated.
- 4) Place a single line under the predicate of the sentence, double underline the subject of the sentence and circle the punctuation.
- 5) Your graphic organizer, final draft and early drafts (with revisions marked) are due on

This activity should give students practice in organizing information into the attributes of a simple sentence (subject, predicate, punctuation) and then evaluating their work.

Sample Scoring Guide for Writing Simple Sentences Assignment (3 point scale)

Score	Description		
3	Subject, predicate and punctuation are clearly evident in examples. Students are able		
3	to clearly identify all attributes in their sentences.		
2	2 Subject, predicate and punctuation are not clearly evident in examples, not used correctly yet examples of each attribute are present in every sentence. Students may identify two out of the three attributes correctly but are not consistent with correctly		
1	identifying all attributes.Subject, predicate or punctuation are presented as examples yet are not used cohesively or one or more attribute of the sentence is missing. Students are unable to consistently identify the attributes correctly.		
0	Non-Attempt		

This independent activity allows students to become more independent in their work and focuses on complex performances that address the writing structure in a specific language.

Instructional Modifications

These activities are designed to accommodate various learners. The following instructional modifications can also be made to promote the success of all learners in the classroom.

- 1. Students may compose their responses to any portion of this exercise on a computer provided the grammar check has been turned off.
- 2. Students can present their responses through a scribe.
- 3. The assignments may be extended into complex, detailed sentences for accelerated students.
- 4. Language specific dictionaries or translators may be used.
- 5. Students can be given time in class to work on their sentences.
- 6. More time may be permitted for completion of the assignments if necessary.

7. A classroom aid may be available to assist students with disabilities and English Language Learners.

IN-CLASS PRACTICE EXERCISE

Key Issues

Considering the content you intend to cover and the student population you will be addressing, identify important issues to consider prior to introducing an activity. Consider actions you will need to take when designing and presenting this activity.

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Independent Activity Explanation

Using the content provided, design an independent activity that aligns with the conceptual framework of the lesson. Provide a brief description of the activity. Identify specific intellectual operations that will elicit the behavior you are intending with this activity. Be certain to include higher order intellectual operations. Refer to the descriptions and examples of intellectual operations below.

Provide a brief explanation of the activity.

^{*}Use additional paper if needed.

	Intellectual Operations
Reiteration	A verbatim reproduction of material that was previously
Kenteration	 A verbaling reproduction of material that was previously taught. The emphasis is on <u>verbatim</u>. The wording in the student's response must be very nearly identical to that presented in instruction.
Summarization	 Generation or identification of a paraphrase, rewording or condensation of content presented during instruction. The emphasis here is on previous presentation of material. Therefore, summarization involves remembering information to a much greater extent than manipulating it.
Illustration	 Generation or identification of a previously unused example of a concept or principle. The emphasis here is on use of an example that was not presented in instruction. In this respect, the student is expected to employ information about the attributes of a particular concept or principle rather than to simply remember whether or not an event exemplifies a knowledge form.
Prediction	 Description or selection of a likely outcome, given a set of antecedent circumstances or conditions that has not previously been encountered. Again, the emphasis is on the <u>use</u> of information in a novel context rather than remembering a response from previous instruction.
Evaluation	 Careful analysis of a problem to identify and use appropriate criteria to make a decision in situations that require a judgment. Evaluation focuses on decision-making. The student must first recognize or generate the options available and then use a set of criteria to choose among them.
Explanation	 Description of the antecedent circumstances or conditions that would be necessary to bring about a given outcome. Application is the reverse of prediction. The student must use information about a concept or principle to work backwards from the circumstances presented and tell what happened to create it.

Reiteration of a fact:	<i>T</i> : Salem is the capital of Oregon.
	–What is the capital of Oregon?
	S: Salem is the capital of Oregon.
Summarization of a concept:	T: An element is a substance made of only one kind of
element	atom.
	–Who can tell me what an element is?
	S: If you have some kind of matter and all of its atoms
	are exactly the same, that's an element.
Illustration of a concept:	<i>T</i> : We talked about some examples of energy
energy conservation	conservation in the home. Can you think of an
	example we haven't talked about?
	S: We can recycle glass—it takes less energy to make
	glass from old glass than it does to make it from
	scratch, so that saves energy.
Prediction of a concept:	T: Mass production is a system for rapidly creating
Mass production	large quantities of one kind of product that uses an
(Three attributes:	assembly line and standardized parts. If we want to
•assembly line	make a lot of a given product and we want to do it
 standardized parts 	fast, what would jobs be like in this system?
 division of labor) 	S: It seems like it would help if every person on the
	assembly line only had one kind of job to do; that
	way they'd get real fast at it.
Evaluation of a principle:	T: Farmer Jones has decided that if he can't double his
The Law of Diminishing	profits from his dairy farm, he's going to sell it. Right
Returns: "As units of a	now he's trying to figure out if he can meet his goal
variable factor of	by increasing the milk output of his herd without
production are added to a	buying any more cows. If you were Farmer Jones,
fixed factor of	what factors would you consider in deciding whether
production, at some	to sell or try to increase your cows' productivity?
point the resulting	S: The number of cows is fixed. Obviously, the amount
increases in output will	of milk a cow produces can't be increased
begin to diminish in	indefinitely, so we'd need to know what they're
size."	producing now and how much it can be increased
Explanation of a principle	<i>T</i> : Homeowners on Paradise Lake are very upset—in
If one link in an	the past couple of years the mosquito population has
ecosystem's food	increased so much that it has become impossible to
chain is broken, the	stay outdoors for very long. They want to get rid of
relationship among	those mosquitoes. What should they do?
the organisms may	S: Well, they shouldn't just run out and get the most
be upset.	powerful bug spray to kill 'em. They ought to try to
	figure out why the mosquitoes have increased. What
	eats mosquitoes? Frogs. Maybe something happened
	to the frogs

Some examples of interactions between knowledge forms and intellectual operations:

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Independent Activity

On a separate piece of paper, design an independent activity for the content provided. Be certain to include higher order intellectual operations. Clearly format the assignment by including instructions and a scoring guide. The activity should be ready to present in a classroom setting.

Instructional Modifications

List instructional modifications you will make to accommodate the diverse community of learners within your classroom.

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* Use additional paper if needed.

Independent Activity Peer Evaluation Form

Your Name: ______ Name of the person whose paper you are evaluating: ______

Please review the Independent Activity plan. Evaluate each section using the criteria provided. Write a positive comment and areas for improvement. Once finished, sign and return the evaluation to the author of the paper. This evaluation will be submitted with the final draft of this section.

Peer Review Evaluation	Points Earned
Key Issues: substantial and significant key issues are unique and relevant to the	
lesson described.	/0.5
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
Independent Activity	
1. Explanation provides a thorough description of the activity. Intellectual	
operations are explicitly stated.	/1
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
2. Independent activity is clearly linked to the concepts and attributes. Activity	
provides practice using higher order intellectual operations.	/1
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
3. Activity is appropriately formatted with directions. Activity is ready for	
distribution in a classroom.	/0.5
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	+

4. Scoring rubric clearly identifies expectations for completing the activity.	
Positive Comment:	/1
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Areas for Improvement:	
Instructional Modifications	
1. Instructional modifications are clearly articulated in sentence format.	
1. Instructional modifications are clearly articulated in sentence format.	/0.5
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
Areas for improvement.	
2. Instructional modifications address the need of diverse learners.	/0.5
Positive Comment:	10.5
Areas for Improvement:	
Areas for improvement.	
Final Comments:	
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HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT

Key Issues

Considering the content you intend to cover and the student population you will be addressing, identify important issues to consider prior to introducing an activity. Consider actions you will need to take when designing and presenting this activity.

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Independent Activity Explanation

Using the content you have chosen, design an independent activity that aligns with the conceptual framework of the lesson. Provide a brief description of the activity. Identify specific intellectual operations that will elicit the behavior you are intending with this activity. Be certain to include higher order intellectual operations. Refer to the descriptions and examples of intellectual operations above.

Provide a brief explanation of the activity.

^{*}Use additional paper if needed.

Independent Activity

On a separate piece of paper, design an independent activity for the content you have chosen that aligns with the conceptual framework previously identified. Be certain to include higher order intellectual operations. Clearly format the task with well-articulated directions. Provide a scoring guide.

Instructional Modifications

List instructional modifications you will make to accommodate the diverse community of learners within your classroom.

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* Use additional paper if needed.

Independent Activity Evaluation Form

Your Name: ______ Name of the person whose paper you are evaluating: ______

Please review the Independent Activity plan. Evaluate each section using the criteria provided. Write a positive comment and areas for improvement. Once finished, sign and return the evaluation to the author of the paper. This evaluation will be submitted with the final draft of this section.

Peer Review Evaluation	Instructor Evaluation (Do not write in these boxes)	Points Earned
Key Issues: substantial and significant key	(Do not write in these boxes)	
issues are unique and relevant to the unit.		/0.5
Positive Comment:		70.5
Areas for Improvement:		
Independent Activity		
1. Explanation provides a thorough		
description of the activity. Intellectual		/1
operations are explicitly stated.		
Positive Comment:		
Areas for Improvement:		
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2. Independent activity is clearly linked to		
the concepts and attributes. Activity		/1
provides practice using higher order		
intellectual operations.		
Positive Comment:		
Areas for Improvement:		
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directions. Activity is ready for distribution		/0.5
in a classroom.		,0.5
Positive Comment:		

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Section 4:

Assessment

CLASSROOM EXAMPLE

Key Issues

When reviewing section 4, participating in the assigned tasks and creating your own concept based instruction units; you might like to keep the following key issues in mind.

Student Expectations Probing Student Knowledge Classroom Management Monitor and Ad just Directions

Assessment Explanation

In this section, we first address three critical features of any assessment and then provide a specific example using the simple sentences unit from Section 1 of this training module. An assessment is designed to ascertain the degree of proficiency a student has acquired in using information. Although most people in the field of education, and particularly in assessment, use the phrase "documenting what students know and can do," we have approached it more simply as "documenting what students can do" to avoid unnecessary redundancies and ill-formed conceptions. Any assessment requires tasks for students "to do" and that, in itself, reflects what they know. The key issues, therefore, are what kinds of applications are being requested (intellectual operations), how they are formatted for various 'behaviors' to be exhibited (task dimensions), and how judgments are made of both performance and proficiency (scoring guides).

Intellectual operations. The most important intellectual operations or "thinking skills" require students to apply information in solving problems. In companion publications (Training Modules 3 and 4), we describe three higher order intellectual operations: (a) evaluation, in which students make a judgment and provide reasons supporting it; (b) prediction, in which students take information and describe what will happen; and (c) explanation, with students taking an outcome and describing how it occurred. Although the world of assessment can be made much more complex, we believe these three provide an excellent starting point for teachers to use in developing assessments that tap higher order thinking skills.

Task dimensions. Task dimensions refer both to the directions provided to students for completing a response and the format of the response. Dimensions can range from *selected responses* (students pick the correct answer) on highly structured statements or questions such as multiple-choice test items, to *constructed responses* on ill-defined, open-ended prompts. Clearly, the less structured the task, the more challenging it is to make valid interpretations about performance.

Scoring guides. The two critical features of any scoring guide are the dimensions for making a judgment and the scale for quantifying performance. A very good source to refer to for more information about scoring guides is Robert Marzano (1998). Basically, a good scoring guide provides a way to distribute student papers or products on pre-determined dimensions so that they are incrementally ordered in a way with which others would agree. Thus, scoring guides provide teachers with a method of increasing the validity of their judgment about student performance.

Assessment Activity

Simple Sentences Assessment Activity					
Student Name:					
Summarization:					
A sentence has three a an example of each.	attributes. What are the three attributes? Describe each attribute and give				
Attribute	Definition/ Example				
Illustration: We discussed many exwere not used in class	xamples of sentences in class. Please give four examples of sentences that				
Sentences					
1)					
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Evaluation and Appl	lication:				

Below are example and non-examples of sentences. First you must determine if the sentence is an example or a non-example. Then you must describe why it is an example or a non-example. Any non-examples need to be re-written changing the non-example into an example.

Example #1

Sentence: Walked straight to the fridge and go	tence: Walked straight to the fridge and got something to		Non-Example
eat.			
Why:	Re-Write:		

Example #2			
Sentence: The teacher, the student, the principal and the		Example	Non-Example
parents talk.			
Why:	Re-Write:		
Example #3			
Sentence: The books are on the top shelf at the	library.	Example	Non-Example
Why:	Re-Write:		
Example #4			
Sentence: If he can't double his profits in pota	to chip sales by	Example	Non-Example
June, Stanley will be forced to sell his potato cl	nip stand.		
Why:	Re-Write:		
Example #5			
Sentence: We ate pizza hotdogs chips and can	dy at the party.	Example	Non-Example
Why:	Re-Write:	• –	

Scoring Guide for Assessment Activity

Summarization Section:

1 pt for each correctly identified attribute.

Definition/ Example 0-3 possible points:

3	Subject, predicate or punctuation is clearly defined and a clear, explicit example is provided.
2	Subject, predicate or punctuation is not clearly defined. An example is given but it may not directly be related to the attribute.
1	Subject, predicate or punctuation is not defined. Student is unable to give an example of this attribute.
0	Non-attempt

Illustration Section

Sentence Examples 0-3 possible points:

Score	Description		
3	Subject, predicate and punctuation are clearly evident in examples.		
2	Subject, predicate and punctuation are not clearly evident in examples, not used		
2	correctly, yet examples of each attribute are present in every sentence.		
1	Subject, predicate or punctuation are presented as examples yet are not used		
1	cohesively or one or more attribute of the sentence is missing.		
0	Non-attempt		

Evaluation and Application Section

(Each example is scored differently – a possibility of 0 - 7 points for each example is possible) 1 point for each sentence correctly identified as an example or non-example Why section 0-3 points

Score	Description
3	Students are able to clearly identify what is missing in the sentence and why this
5	particular attribute is necessary.
2	Students are able to identify that something is missing from the sentence to make the sentence incomplete. Students are not consistent with correctly identifying all missing attributes.
1	Students are able to identify that the sentence is not complete but they are unsure as to why the sentence is unclear or how to improve upon it.
0	Non-Attempt

Re-Write of non-examples 0-3 points

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Instructional Modifications

These assessment activities are designed to accommodate various learners. The following instructional modifications can also be made to promote the success of all learners in the classroom.

- 1. Students may respond using class notes to assist them..
- 2. Students may compose their responses on a computer.
- 3. Students can present their responses orally or through a scribe.
- 4. More time may be permitted for completion of the assignments if necessary.
- 5. Students may use their graphic organizers or additional resources if appropriate for assessment
- 6. A classroom aid may be available to assist students with disabilities and English Language Learners.

IN-CLASS PRACTICE EXERCISE

Key Issues

Considering the content you intend to cover and the student population you will be addressing, identify important issues to consider prior to administering an assessment task. Consider actions you will need to take when designing and delivering an assessment.

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Assessment Explanation

Using the content provided, design an assessment task that aligns with the conceptual framework of the lesson. Provide a brief description of the task. Identify specific higher order intellectual operations that will elicit the behavior you are intending with this assessment. Be certain that students have had ample practice in the instruction and activity using the intellectual operations required by the task. Incorporate important features of an assessment task as stated below.

Provide a brief explanation of the assessment task(s).

^{*}Use additional paper if needed.

Important Features of Classroom-Based Assessment

1. It samples instruction representatively.

This means that the tasks used in classroom-based assessment are a fair sample of the goals of instruction. It implies that classroom-based assessment tests what students are taught.

2. It is technically adequate.

This means it is *reliable* and *valid*. An assessment task that is designed and administered in a reliable manner is relatively free of potential sources of error that have nothing to do with the purpose of the task. A valid assessment task can be used to answer the question: "Did the students learn what I wanted them to learn?" Reliability and validity are extensively covered in Training Module 4: Focus on Assessment and Learning in content Classes.

3. It employs production responses.

Students are expected to generate a product as a result of the assessment process. This product could be as simple as a few phrases or sentences or as elaborate as an essay. Production responses, also may include spoken responses, such as may be elicited in a structured interview, as well as nonverbal constructions, such as maps, graphs, and drawings.

4. It can provide information for making instructional decisions.

The information obtained from classroom-based assessment can be used to evaluate the effectiveness of past instruction and to plan future instruction. Classroom-based assessment may or may not be useful for making other decisions, which may be social or political rather than educational (such as assigning grades, or placing a student in special education).

5. It can be used with a range of evaluation standards.

This means that classroom-based assessment can be used to (a) compare an individual's or group's performance to that of a comparison group (norm-referenced evaluation), (b) estimate the extent to which content or skills have been mastered (criterion-referenced evaluation), or (c)chart an individual student's progress over time (individual-referenced evaluation).

Nolet, V., Tindal, G., & Blake, G. (1992). Research, consultation, & teaching program training module No. 4: Focus assessment and learning in content classes. Eugene, OR: University of Oregon, Behavioral Research and Teaching.

Assessment Activity

On a separate piece of paper, design an assessment task that is oriented toward a specific intellectual operation (as described above). Be certain to include higher order intellectual operations. Clearly format the assignment by including instructions and a scoring guide. The assessment should be ready to present in a classroom setting.

Instructional Modifications

List instructional modifications you will make to accommodate the diverse community of learners within your classroom.

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* Use additional paper if needed.
Assessment Peer Evaluation Form

Your Name: ______ Name of the person whose paper you are evaluating: ______

Please review the Assessment section. Evaluate each section using the criteria provided. Write a positive comment and areas for improvement. Once finished, sign and return the evaluation to the author of the paper. This evaluation will be submitted with the final draft of this section.

Peer Review Evaluation	
	Points Earned
Key Issues : substantial and significant key issues are unique and relevant to the	
lesson described.	/0.5
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Areas for Improvement:	
Assessment Task	
1. Explanation provides a thorough description of the assessment. Intellectual	/1
operations are explicitly stated. Positive Comment:	/1
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Areas for Improvement:	
2. Assessment task is aligned with instructional domain as defined by the	/1
instructional unit (review the instructional sequence and independent activity).	/1
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Areas for Improvement:	
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3. Higher order intellectual operations are the primary focus of the assessment	10 -
task.	/0.5
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Areas for Improvement:	
4. Assessment task is appropriately formatted with directions. Assessment task is	

ready for distribution in a classroom.	/0.5
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
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5. Scoring rubric clearly identifies expectations for completing the assessment	
task.	/1
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
Instructional Modifications	
1. Instructional modifications are clearly articulated in sentence format and address	
the need of diverse learners.	/0.5
Positive Comment:	
Areas for Improvement:	
Final Comments:	
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HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT

Key Issues

Considering the content you intend to cover and the student population you will be addressing, identify important issues to consider prior to administering an assessment task. Consider actions you will need to take when designing and delivering an assessment.

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Assessment Explanation

Using the content you have chosen, design an assessment task that aligns with the conceptual framework of the lesson. Provide a brief description of the task. Identify specific higher order intellectual operations that will elicit the behavior you are intending with this assessment. Be certain that students have had ample practice in the instruction and activity using the intellectual operations required by the task.

Provide a brief explanation of the assessment task(s).

*Use additional paper if needed.

Assessment Activity

On a separate piece of paper, design an assessment task that is oriented toward a specific intellectual operation (as described above). Be certain to include higher order intellectual operations. Clearly format the assignment by including instructions and a scoring guide. The assessment should be ready to present in a classroom setting.

Instructional Modifications

List instructional modifications you will make to accommodate the diverse community of learners within your classroom.

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Assessment Evaluation Form

Your Name: ______ Name of the person whose paper you are evaluating: ______

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Peer Review Evaluation	Instructor Evaluation	Points
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the need of diverse learners.		
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Areas for Improvement:		
Final Comments:		
	Total Score	/5

Section 5: Teacher Reflection

CLASSROOM EXAMPLE

Key Issues

When reviewing section 5, participating in the assigned tasks and creating your own concept based instruction units; you might like to keep the following key issues in mind.

Analysis of Lesson Organization Instructional Units Delivery of Instruction Pacing of Instruction Authentic Assessment Delivery of Assessment Instruction-Assessment Alignment Range of Performance Subjective Scoring Multiple Choice Tests Access Skills Student Reactions Concepts and Attributes Computers in the Classroom

Lesson Evaluation

Upon conclusion of this unit, the instructor reflects on the strengths, weaknesses, internal validity, external validity, and social validity for the lesson. He identifies and explains the range of student performances.

No example is provided for this section because it is difficult for us to model a personal reflection statement without influencing your own reflection. Please reflect on each issue thoughtfully and honestly. Your responses will be evaluated based on the thoroughness of your explanations. The *content* of your reflection (critique of your unit) will not be graded.

IN-CLASS PRACTICE EXERCISE

Key Issues

Considering the content you intend to cover and the student population you will be addressing, identify important issues to take into account at the end of an instructional unit.

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Background Information

To evaluate a unit, you must first have an understanding of different types of validity that are important to consider. A brief introduction is presented below.

Validity

Internal Validity

- Indicates whether there is a causal relationship between the lesson inputs (instruction, activity, and assessment) and the observed outcomes (student performance).
- Can you identify a cause and effect relationship between your instruction and student success?
- Would the students have succeeded without your instructional plan?

External Validity:

- Associated with the generalizability of the outcomes.
- Can the knowledge or skills learned in this lesson be generalized across other activities or content?
- What inferences can be made about the student's abilities upon completion of this unit?

Social Validity

- Identifies the benefits and consequences of participation in this unit for individuals and groups of students in the future
- What is the value of learning this information outside of the classroom?
- Why should students learn the content?

Teacher Reflection

Upon conclusion of this unit, reflect on the strengths, weaknesses, internal validity, external validity, and social validity for three domains of the lesson: content, reading as an access skill, and writing as an access skill.

Content

<u>Strengths:</u> Consider the strengths of the unit you developed for the content provided. Curriculum Analysis and Instructional Planning:

Instructional Delivery:

Independent Activity:

Assessment:

<u>Weaknesses:</u> Consider the aspects you would change or redesign for the unit you developed for the content provided.

Curriculum Analysis and Instructional Planning:

Instructional Delivery:

Independent Activity:

Assessment:

<u>Internal Validity:</u> Can you identify a cause and effect relationship between your instruction and student success?

Identify the domain of the instructional delivery and independent activity. Look at the sampling plan for the assessment. Is there alignment between the instruction/activity and the assessment? Does the rubric match the sampling plan? Does the rubric address important information covered in the domain of instruction? Thoroughly consider these issues.

External Validity: Can the knowledge or skills learned in this lesson be generalized across other activities or content areas?

If your students are successful on this unit, what else might they be successful in? Can the students extend their knowledge to other examples of the concept? Can the students apply their skills to other intellectual operations? Thoroughly consider these issues.

<u>Social Validity:</u> What are the benefits and consequences of participation in this unit for individuals and groups of students?

Is learning the information in this unit beneficial and/or harmful for the student? What conflicts might the student experience from learning this information? Is it important for the student to learn the information presented? Thoroughly consider these issues.

Reading as an Access Skill

<u>Strengths:</u> How does the students' ability to read positively affect their access or ability to succeed on the unit? Thoroughly consider this issue for each lesson component. Instructional Delivery:

Independent Activity:

Assessment:

<u>Weaknesses:</u> How does the students' ability to read negatively affect their access or ability to succeed on the unit? Thoroughly consider this issue for each lesson component. Instructional Delivery:

Independent Activity:

Assessment:

<u>Internal Validity:</u> Can you identify a cause and effect relationship between your instruction and student success?

Does the students' ability to read threaten the internal validity? Is it possible that a student's ability to read may influence the judgment about his/her content ability or knowledge? Thoroughly consider these issues.

External Validity: Can the knowledge or skills learned in this lesson be generalized across other activities or content areas?

What reading skills are developed during this unit? How can these skills generalize across other content areas? How does students' reading skill affect their ability to generalize what they've learned in the unit? Thoroughly consider these issues.

<u>Social Validity:</u> What are the benefits and consequences of participation in this unit for individuals and groups of students?

How does the reading involved in this unit affect the student socially? How might the reading skills you've taught affect the students socially? Thoroughly consider these issues.

Writing as an Access Skill

<u>Strengths:</u> How does the students' ability to write positively affect their access or ability to succeed on the unit? Thoroughly consider this issue for each lesson component. Instructional Delivery:

Independent Activity:

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Assessment:

<u>Internal Validity:</u> Can you identify a cause and effect relationship between your instruction and student success?

Does the students' ability to write threaten the internal validity? Is it possible that a student's ability to write may influence the judgment about his/her content ability or knowledge? Thoroughly consider these issues.

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How does the writing involved in this unit affect the student socially? How might the writing skills you've taught affect the students socially? Thoroughly consider these issues.

Teacher Reflection Peer Evaluation Form

Your Name: ______ Name of the person whose paper you are evaluating:

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Scoring Rubric for Teacher Reflection

- 5 All issues were identified and addressed that related to the strengths, weaknesses, internal validity, external validity, and social validity for three domains of the lesson: content, reading as an access skill, and writing as an access skill. Practices or topics of reliability and validity were considered with specific details, examples, and references. Format of presentation is clear.
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Peer Review Evaluation

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Positive Comment:

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Teacher Reflection

Upon conclusion of this unit, reflect on the strengths, weaknesses, internal validity, external validity, and social validity for three domains of the lesson: content, reading as an access skill, and writing as an access skill. Respond to each section *on a separate piece of paper*.

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Curriculum Analysis and Instructional Planning:

Instructional Delivery: Independent Activity: Assessment:

<u>Weaknesses:</u> Consider the aspects you would change or redesign for the unit you developed for the content you chose.

Curriculum Analysis and Instructional Planning: Instructional Delivery: Independent Activity: Assessment:

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TRAINING MODULE SUGGESTION SHEET

We would like to request your comments regarding this training module. Please use this response sheet to provide suggestions that may help us improve subsequent modules. We greatly appreciate your insights and perspectives.

Please return this suggestion sheet to Holly Vance in Educational Leadership, ED 124.

Curriculum Instruction Assessment Alignment: Second Language

1. What aspects of this training module are not clear to you? Please be specific, include brief description, and note the page number.

___How can we improve the content of this training module?

____How can we improve the structure of this training module?

____Other suggestions:

Appendix A-2

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Glossary

<u>Attribute</u>: a defining characteristic of the concept; provide criteria for distinguishing between what is and what is not an example of the concept

<u>Concept</u>: clusters of events, names, dates, objects, places, etc. that share a common set of defining attributes

<u>Example</u>: positive description of the concept or attribute that aid in discrimination of the critical features of the concept; includes a wide range (far and near) of acceptable responses that describe or define the concept or attribute; far positive example and near negative example should be similar but differ based on the critical features that define the concept or attribute

External validity: associated with the generalizability of the outcomes

Fact: a simple association between names, objects, events, places, etc. that use singular exemplars

Graphic organizer: a visual, non-linear representation of the linkages among knowledge forms.

<u>Intellectual operation</u>: classification of behaviors that are identifiable or observable; allows teacher to determine whether or not students are able to manipulate content area knowledge forms in meaningful ways

<u>Interactive teaching</u>: dialogues between teachers and students to check for understanding; integrates critical thinking skills into instruction by modeling intellectual operations

<u>Internal validity</u>: indicates whether there is a causal relationship between the lesson inputs (instruction, activity, and assessment) and the observed outcomes (student performance)

Knowledge form: form of information presented to learners; includes principles, concepts, and facts

<u>Non-example</u>: negative description of the concept or attribute that aid in discrimination of the critical features of the concept; includes a wide range (far and near) of responses that would not describe or define the concept or attribute; far positive example and near negative example should be similar but differ based on the critical features that define the concept or attribute

<u>Principle</u>: a consistent relationship among events, objects, or behaviors; indicates relationships among different facts or concepts

<u>Social Validity</u>: identifies the benefits and consequences of participation in this unit for individuals and groups of students in the future