

The Teacher Work Sample is a performance assessment that you must successfully complete during your internship or student teaching. Total possible points = 39. Successful completion requires a score of at least "effective" (2 points) on the Teacher Work Sample for each criterion for a total of 29 points. 1 or approximately 70%.

Criterion and Utah Effective	0—Not effective	1—Beginning	2—Preservice Proficient	3—Exemplary
Teaching Standard(s)  Learning Context				
1. School and student information.  Learner Development (UETS 1) The teacher understands cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas of student development; Learning Differences (UETS 2) The teacher understands individual learner differences and cultural and linguistic diversity.	All demographic information for school and class is provided. No evidence that knowledge of students influenced instructional decisions.	All demographic information for school and class is provided. Evidence shows that background knowledge about students influenced instructional decisions.	All demographic information for school and class is provided. Evidence shows that background knowledge of whole class was assessed and influenced instructional decisions.	All demographic information for school and class is provided. Evidence shows that background knowledge about individual students influenced instructional decisions.
Focus Students				
2. Focus students.  Learning Differences (2a)  Understands individual learner differences and holds high expectations of students. (2b) Designs, adapts, and delivers instruction to address each student's diverse learning strengths and needs.	Focus students are not described.	Minimal description of focus students (minimum of 2) (e.g., test scores only, skills only, behavior only).	Focus students (minimum of 2) are described in terms of their prior learning, academic background, and personal background. The two students require different levels/types of support.	Focus students (two or more) are described in terms of their prior learning, academic background, and personal background AND instructional decisions/levels/types of support based on this knowledge are explained.
Lesson Plans				<u> </u>
3. Lesson titles, subject, grade level, time	Information is missing.		All information is provided.	
4. Rationale for methods. Instructional Planning (UETS 6b) Individually and collaboratively selects and creates learning experiences that are appropriate for reaching content standards relevant to learners and based on principles of effective instruction.	No rationale provided.	Rationale for methods references teacher's edition of textbook or other materials required by district, cooperating teacher, or other authority.	Rationale for methods provides a justification for teaching methods that references learning in methods class, professional development, or research literature.	Rationale for methods provides a justification for teaching methods that references and explicitly connects instructional decisions to learning in methods class, professional development, or research literature.
<b>5. Standards.</b> <i>Instructional Planning</i> (UETS 6a) Plans instruction based on the Utah Core Standards.	No standards are provided OR standards do not align with subject and/or objectives.		Core standards are provided and match content.	
6. Academic language.  Learning Differences (UETS 2e) Incorporates tools of language development into planning and instruction for English language learners and supports development of English proficiency.	Language supports are missing OR are not aligned with the language demands of the learning task.	Language supports primarily address definitions of vocabulary.	Plans include general support for use of vocabulary as well as additional language demands.	Plans include targeted support for use of vocabulary as well as additional language demands.

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Content Knowledge (4e) Supports				
students in learning and using				
academic language accurately				
and meaningfully.	No. to Comment to a	Maladal	All information in	All to Comment to a to
7. Required materials, resources,	No information	Materials,	All information is	All information is
and technology tools.	provided.	resources, and	provided and materials,	provided and materials,
Instructional Planning (6c)		technology tools	resources, and	resources, and
Differentiates instruction for		are described. At	technology tools are	technology tool(s) are
individuals and groups of		least one lesson	attached or included as	attached or included as
students by choosing appropriate		incorporates a	files or images.	files or images, along
strategies, accommodations,		technology tool.		with justification for
resources, materials, sequencing,				their use.
technical tools, & demonstrations				
of learning; Instructional				
Strategies (7g) Supports content				
and skill development by using				
multiple media and technology				
resources & knows how to				
evaluate these resources for				
quality, accuracy, and				
effectiveness.				
8. Lesson objectives.	No specific objectives	Objectives are	Objectives are aligned	
Assessment (5a) Designs or	provided OR	aligned with one	with the standards, the	
selects pre-assessments,	objectives are not	of the following:	procedures, and the	
formative, & summative	aligned with	the standards, the	assessment.	
assessments in a variety of	standards,	procedures, OR		
formats that match learning	procedures, or	the assessment.		
objectives & engage the learner	assessment.			
in demonstrating knowledge and				
skills.				
9. Instructional procedures.	Procedures are	Procedures are	Procedures are clear, but	The lesson is logical and
Instructional Planning (6b)	absent OR unclear	vague, lacking	may lack sufficient detail	engaging. Students
Individually and collaboratively	and difficult to follow	detail required for	to enable a third party to	know what to expect
selects and creates learning	OR do not match	a third party to	follow the lesson	and what is expected of
experiences that are appropriate	lesson objectives.	follow the lesson.	without aid.	them. Procedures are
for reaching content standards				clear & detailed to
relevant to learners and based on				enable a third party to
principles of effective instruction.				follow the lesson
				without aid. Procedures
				clearly match lesson
				objectives.
10. Differentiation &	There is no evidence	Planned	Planned adaptations or	Planned adaptations or
adaptations/accommodation.	of differentiation, or	adaptations or	accommodations are	accommodations
Instructional Planning (6c)	adaptations or	accommodations	tied to the learning	provide specific
Differentiates instruction for	accommodations for	are focused on the	objectives AND address	strategies for specific
individuals and groups of	students.	characteristics of	the needs of specific	students and respond
students by choosing appropriate		the whole class.	individuals or groups	to students' errors and
strategies, accommodations,			with similar needs.	possible
resources, materials, sequencing,				misunderstandings.
technical tools, & demonstrations				
of learning.				
11. Assessment plan.	No assessment	Assessment	Formative and/or	Formative and/or
Assessment (5a) Designs or	provided for the	provided for the	summative assessment	summative
selects pre-assessments,	lessons, or	lessons but	has clear relationship to	assessments are
formative, & summative	assessment does not	inaccurately	the lessons and	defined and fully
assessments in a variety of	measure objective(s).	measures the	objective(s).	aligned with all
formats that match learning		objective(s).		objectives addressed in
objectives and engage the learner				the lessons.
in demonstrating knowledge and				
skills.				
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Reflection				
12. Analyze teaching effectiveness.  Reflection and Continuous Growth (8a) Independently and in collaboration with colleagues, uses a variety of data to evaluate the outcomes of teaching & learning and to reflect on and adapt planning and practice.	Candidate suggests no changes are needed OR suggests changes unrelated to evidence of student learning.	Candidate proposes changes that are focused primarily on managerial tasks (more time, improving directions, changing groups, behavior, etc.) to improve student	Candidate proposes changes in teaching practice that address students' collective learning needs related to the objectives.	Candidate proposes changes in teaching practice that address individual students' learning needs related to the objectives.
13. Analyze student learning.  Assessment (5d) Uses data to assess the effectiveness of instruction and to make adjustments in planning and instruction.	No assessment data provided.	learning.  Assessment of student work provides detail about the quality of the focus students' work or provides a quantitative summary. Includes documentation of student work.	Assessment of student work provides detail about the quality of the focus students' work or provides a quantitative summary. Students' misunderstanding or errors are discussed. Includes documentation of student work.	Assessment of student work provides detail about the quality of the focus students' work or provides a quantitative summary. Students' misunderstandings or errors are discussed. The teacher describes how s/he will modify the unit to improve student outcomes. Includes documentation of student work.
Professional Writing				
14. Clarity and attention to conventions.  Professional and Ethical Behavior (10d) Maintains accurate instructional & non-instructional records.	Poor quality of professional writing is evidenced by lack of clarity of writing and abundant spelling, usage &/or grammar that impede understanding.	Occasional lack of clarity of writing AND spelling, usage &/or grammar errors are distracting but do not impede understanding.	Writing is clear. Minor lack of attention to formal writing is evidenced by occasional spelling, usage, or grammar error.	Professional attention to formal writing is evidenced by clarity in writing AND few or no spelling, usage, and grammatical errors.