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Kindergarten Assessment Rubrics

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Design

The rubrics are designed to track triangulated evidence of student learning—evidence stemming from products, conversations, and observations. On this rubric, teachers may record a student's progress toward an outcome noted in a conversation. In addition, when they observe a student demonstrating abilities related to an outcome, they can add those observations to the rubric. When the student creates a product as a demonstration of learning, that evidence can be plotted on the rubric as well.

These rubrics reflect a move away from assessing tasks and from giving a grade on a task to using tasks to gather evidence of learning with respect to a group of outcomes and to tracking this evidence of learning against specified criteria.

The levels on the rubric are cumulative. Students who achieve level 4 have already demonstrated the competencies described in levels 1, 2, and 3.

The Kindergarten rubrics are packaged by subject. Each rubric contains criteria descriptions for all the outcomes for that subject; the outcomes are grouped by strands for ease in reporting.

Language of the Rubrics

As much as possible, the writers have used language suitable for the student in a specific grade and appropriate for the pedagogy of the grade. Still, there are some expressions which carry particular meaning:

- **Including:** all of the enumerated concepts or skills are compulsory. For example, in **CRK.2: View and interpret the basic message of visuals and objects in a variety of texts including models, photographs, dramas, dance creations, and videos**, evidence of student achievement of that outcome would need to include all the forms of text cited, that is, models, photographs, dramas, dance creations, and videos. The student would have had to view examples of all the texts named, and be able to communicate a message about them.
- **Such as / e.g.:** refers to examples that a teacher or student might consider; they are **not** compulsory.
- **With help: (Level 1)** means that the student receives continual monitoring and support in learning from the teacher or a teacher assistant.
- **With guidance / with direction: (almost always Level 2)** means that a student requires some supervision and a few reminders.
- **With minimal guidance: (occasionally in Level 3)** means that a student would need only answers to some questions, some reassurance, and the occasional question as reminder.
- **When prompted:** means that the student can provide the evidence in response to a question or a leading statement.
- **Structured situation:** a segment of the kindergarten day that is teacher-directed.
- **Unstructured situation:** a segment of the kindergarten day centered on play, that is not teacher-directed.

Feedback

The rubric developers have used their skill, knowledge, and experience to create a tool which is at once comprehensive and easy to use. Still, some revisions may be needed. Please keep track of issues with the rubrics, and email any suggested changes to Yvette at yvette.beutel@cttcs.ca so that adjustments can be made.