

Assessment

Professional Learning Module



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Overview of the resource

The focus of this professional learning resource is in supporting teachers to consolidate and extend their assessment practice. A number of assessment techniques are modelled and opportunities are provided for teachers to practise these techniques.

The three components of the resource complement one another and should be used together to ensure effectiveness of the resource.



GUIDE: Assessment

This written guide provides information which supports the assessment ideas and techniques explored in the digital resources. A list of additional resources and a planning tool are included.



DVD: Modelling Assessment Techniques

The focus of the DVD is on exploring a number of options for science assessment. It illustrates that there are multiple opportunities and techniques for assessment. The DVD shows assessment techniques 'in action' as implemented by four teachers.



CD-ROM: Exploring and Practising Assessment Techniques

The interactive CD-ROM describes, illustrates and provides practice opportunities for a range of assessment techniques. Suggestions are made about how to build a repertoire of assessment ideas, and on how to use checklists and rubrics to apply criteria to assess student work.

