Appendix

Self-Assessment: The 6 Principles Checklist for Teachers

Do you know your learners? (Principle 1)

_You gain information about your learners.

- For example, you
- ____ conduct intake protocols and a needs assessment
- ____ organize and share information with other teachers

You embrace and leverage the resources your learners bring to the classroom to enhance learning.

For example, you

- ____ create forms and/or use individual meetings and informal interactions to get to know your learners
- ____ act as a cultural mediator among your learners and between your learners and others in the university or professional context
- ____ draw on learners' native languages and cultures to build rich understandings

Do you create conditions for language learning? (Principle 2)

_ You promote a supportive learning environment, with attention to reducing learners' anxiety and developing trust.

For example, you

- ____ create a welcoming environment for the learners
- ____ use advance organizers, learning management systems, and syllabuses to provide learning objectives and other information
- ____ design appropriate learning spaces
- ____ identify mentors for new learners
- ____ use clear, patterned, and routine language to communicate with learners

_You demonstrate expectations of success for all your learners.

For example, you

- ____ believe all learners will achieve their learning objectives and outcomes
- ____ praise effort and persistence and use critique appropriately
- ____ use a variety of instructional approaches for diverse learners
- ____ teach learners strategies to participate in instructional conversations and in contexts beyond the classroom

____ You plan instruction to enhance and support learners' motivation for language learning.

- ____ prompt learners to connect their learning to their own situations and goals
- ____ build a repertoire of learning tasks that learners enjoy
- ____ motivate learners and structure behavior with well-defined projects
- ____ expect learner ownership and support learners in engagement with learning

Do you design high-quality lessons for language development? (Principle 3)

__You prepare lessons with clear outcomes and convey them to your learners.

For example, you

- ____ develop content and language objectives aligned to learning outcomes
- ____ develop lessons with step-by-step achievement of learning objectives in mind
- ____ communicate learning objectives to learners

____ You provide and enhance input through varied approaches, techniques, and modalities.

For example, you

- ____ use comprehensible input to convey information to learners
- ____ adjust your language to enhance input to learners
- ____ use multiple sources of input
- ____ communicate clear instructions for lesson tasks

_You engage learners in the use and practice of authentic language and materials.

For example, you

- ____ elicit output from learners
- ____ create opportunities for learners to be active participants
- ____ use techniques to promote active language practice in a variety of settings
- ____ integrate language learning into content lessons and content into language lessons
- ____ encourage language learning beyond the classroom

_You design lessons so learners engage with relevant and meaningful content.

For example, you

- ____ plan tasks that are relevant and useful
- _____ select materials that reflect learners' interests and goals

_ You plan differentiated instruction according to your learners' English language proficiency levels, needs, and goals.

For example, you

- ____ build scaffolding into lessons for different purposes
- ____ employ grouping patterns designed to promote peer support, engagement, and comprehensibility
- ____ provide supplemental materials
- ____ plan for appropriate challenges depending on learners' language proficiency levels

____ You promote the use of learning strategies, problem-solving skills, and critical thinking.

For example, you

- ____ teach a variety of learning strategies for specific purposes
- ____ design tasks for learners to practice using critical thinking and learning strategies

You promote self-directed learning.

- _____ facilitate learners' setting of meaningful goals and monitoring of their progress
- ___ provide self-assessment tools that allow learners to evaluate their strengths and weaknesses
- ____ help learners develop effective work management habits

Do you adapt lesson delivery as needed? (Principle 4)

____You check comprehension frequently and adjust instruction according to learner responses.

For example, you

- ____ use teaching practices that ensure better auditory comprehension
- ____ check comprehension with group response techniques

_You adjust your talk, the task, or the materials according to learner responses.

For example, you

- ____ adjust your oral language input as needed to advance comprehension and scaffold language learning
- ____ switch to other forms of input as needed
- ____ adapt tasks and/or materials to learner proficiency levels
- ____ scaffold to provide equitable access to content for all learners

Do you monitor and assess learner language development? (Principle 5)

__You monitor learner errors.

For example, you

- ____ note errors to provide appropriate feedback to learners
- ____ reteach when errors indicate learners misunderstood or learned the material incorrectly

_You provide ongoing feedback effectively and strategically.

For example, you

- ____ use specific feedback
- ____ deliver feedback in a timely manner
- ____ deliver feedback according to the preferences and proficiency level of your learners
- ____ use a feedforward approach
- ____ use a variety of types of oral corrective feedback
- ____ use written feedback when possible

_You use effective formative and summative assessment strategies.

For example, you

- ____ use classroom-based assessment to inform teaching and improve learning
- ____ use testing procedures based on principles of assessment
- ____ rely on a variety of assessment types.

Do you engage and collaborate within a community of practice? (Principle 6)

____ You are fully engaged in your profession.

- ____ engage in reflective practice
- ____ participate in continuous learning and ongoing professional development

____ You coordinate and collaborate with colleagues.

- ____ meet with colleagues regularly to co-plan for future learning
- ____ develop and strengthen relationships with program colleagues who can serve as mentors
- ____ meet with industry and subject matter experts in the professional and occupational fields that your EOP and EPP learners wish to pursue
- ____ confer with professors or teachers whose courses your EAP learners plan to enter