

Examples of Assessment Scaffolds Across Linguistic and Task Difficulty

		Task Difficulty →						
		Explanation	Matching	Labeling	Multiple Choice	Fill in the Blank	Short Answer	Essay
Linguistic Difficulty ↓	Pantomiming a concept	Matching oral sound/word to picture	Orally naming physical objects	Multiple choice (2 answers to choose from)	Fill in the blank with limited choices (2 words)	Oral response	Oral response	Role playing with props and/or cue cards/notes
	Drawing a concept	Matching Picture with label to Picture with label	Orally labeling pictures	Multiple choice with open text book support	Fill in the blank with limited choices (3+ words)	Short answer with a word box or sentence stems	Essay with a word box and/or checklist	Role playing with no physical supports or readers theater with script
	Orally explaining a concept	Matching picture to word/label	Labeling pictures or a diagram with a word box provided	Multiple choice (3 answers to choose from)	Fill in the blank with access to a word box or word wall	Short answer with peer collaboration	Essay with peer collaboration and/or open text book support and/or class notes	Demonstration or modeling of skill or concept with oral presentation guided by notes or Power Point
	Drawing and labeling a concept	Matching words to words with access to a dictionary and/or class notes	Labeling pictures or a diagram with open text book support and/or class notes	Multiple choice (4 answers to choose from)	Fill in the blank with open text book support and/or class notes	Short answer with open text book support and/or class notes	Essay from memory with multiple chances for revision and teacher feedback	Performance or presentation with no notes in front of peers
	Writing about a concept	Matching words to words (such as vocabulary and its definition) from memory	Labeling pictures or a diagram from memory	Multiple choice (4 answers to choose from, with "All of the above" and "None of the above" included)	Fill in the blank from memory	Short answer from memory	Essay from memory	Performance or presentation with no notes in front of parents and peers

Other Forms of Alternative Assessments:

Checklists	Rubrics	Teacher Observation	Peer Assessments
Projects	Portfolios	Journals	Self-Assessments