

Examples Assessment Scaffolds Across Linguistic and Task Difficulty

		→ Task Difficulty						
Linguistic Difficulty ↓	Explanation	Matching	Labeling	Multiple Choice	Fill in the Blank	Short Answer	Essay	Performance
	Pantomiming a concept	Matching oral sound/word to picture	Orally naming pictures	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 with picture support (picture to word)	Labeling pictures or a diagram with a word box provided	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
	Orally explaining 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 (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
	Drawing and labeling 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)	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
	Writing about a concept				Fill in the blank from memory	Short answer from memory	Essay from memory	

Other Forms of Alternative Assessments:

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