Sources of Performance Assessment Tasks, Rubrics, and Samples of Student Work

The following list contains items we have found useful and pedagogically sound. We have indicated in boldface the portion of the source that we recommend, whether rubrics, tasks, and/or samples of student work. (Please note that the URLs given here are correct as of time of publication.)

**Language Arts**


**Mathematics**

- National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, *Mathematics Assessment: A Practical Handbook* (Reston, VA: NCTM, 2003)—assessment ideas for the NCTM standards; 4 books in the series (K–2; 3–5; 6–8; & 9–12); tasks, student work scored with both a task-specific and holistic general rubric.
- National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, *Using Assessment to Improve Middle-Grades Mathematics Teaching & Learning* (Reston, VA: NCTM, 2003)—a general math rubric (holistic that can be easily made into a generic or a task-specific rubric), tasks, samples of student work.

**Science**


**Writing**

- Vicki Spandel, *Creating Writers: Through 6-Trait Writing Assessment and Instruction* (Boston: Allyn & Bacon, 2005)—tasks, rubrics, samples of student work, primary through high school, includes technical writing.
General

- National Education Monitoring Project (New Zealand Ministry of Education)—A series of reports from the most current national assessments in mathematics, science, technology, writing, health/PE, listening/viewing, art, social studies, oral presentations, and reading—tasks. [http://nemp.otago.ac.nz](http://nemp.otago.ac.nz)
- Ontario Provincial Ministry of Education—Put “Exemplars” plus subject area and grade level into the search engine—tasks, samples of student work. [http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/tools/search.html](http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/tools/search.html)
- Exemplars Assessment Rubrics (2005)—rubrics (math, science, reading, writing, research), student-friendly versions, tasks, samples of student work. [http://www.exemplars.com](http://www.exemplars.com)