

Creating Tiered Assignments

Music



Physical Education

INTERMEDIATE



Task: Tiered Activities

ADVANCED



SESE

English

Tiered **Assignments**



Scenario: You are teaching music to your students. You have a wide range of ability levels in the class. Some students get lessons privately. You want to give assignments that will challenge all students in your class

Prompt: You are a Grade 6 teacher teaching music to your class. You are completing a lesson on woodwind instruments. Can you prepare tiered assignments for your students?

Input Prompt

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By Task: Tiered Assignments

Tier 1: Beginner

- Research one woodwind instrument and create a poster that includes its name, picture, and basic information about the instrument (e.g. how it's played, what family it belongs to).
- Watch a video of a woodwind instrument being played and draw a picture of the musician and instrument.

Tier 2: Intermediate

- Research two woodwind instruments and create a Venn diagram that compares and contrasts them (e.g. similarities and differences in how they are played, their pitch range).
- Listen to a piece of music featuring a woodwind instrument and write a short paragraph describing the sound and how it adds to the music.

Tier 3: Advanced

- Research three or more woodwind instruments and create a multimedia presentation (e.g. Google Slides, Prezi) that includes pictures, videos, and audio clips of each instrument being played, as well as information on their history and significance.
- Compose a short piece of music for a woodwind instrument of your choice. Include a written score and a recording of yourself playing the piece (if possible).

Tiered Assignments



Scenario: You are teaching physical education to your students. You have a wide range of ability levels in the class. Some students get bored when the tasks are too easy and others can find the lessons too challenging.

<u>Prompt:</u> You are a Grade 4 teacher teaching physical education to your class. You are completing a lesson on passing in basketball. Can you prepare tiered activities with 5 activities for each tier for your students??

More specific prompt: "5 activities"

Tiered Assignments: P.E

Tier 1: Beginner

- 1. Practice chest passes with a partner, focusing on technique and accuracy.
- 2. Practice bounce passes with a partner, focusing on technique and accuracy.
- 3. Play a game of "Monkey in the Middle" with a group, using chest passes to keep the ball away from the defender.
- 4. Complete a passing accuracy challenge, such as trying to pass the ball through a hula hoop or into a bucket from a set distance.
- 5. Watch a video on proper passing technique and answer questions about what you learned.

Tier 2: Intermediate

- Practice chest passes and bounce passes with a partner, focusing on speed and accuracy.
- 2. Practice overhead passes with a partner, focusing on technique and accuracy.
- Play a game of "Keep Away" with a group, using a combination of chest, bounce, and overhead passes.
- 4. Complete a passing accuracy challenge with a time limit or additional obstacles, such as passing the ball through a moving target or around a defender.
- 5. Watch a video on advanced passing techniques, such as the no-look pass or behind-the-back pass, and practice them with a partner.



Tier 3: Advanced

- 1. Practice all types of passes with a partner, focusing on speed, accuracy, and creativity.
- 2. Play a full-court game with specific passing rules, such as requiring a certain number of passes before a shot can be taken.
- Work on developing a new, unique passing technique and practice it with a partner or small group.
- 4. Analyze game footage to identify passing strengths and weaknesses, and create a plan to improve.
- 5. Lead a passing skills clinic for younger students, demonstrating proper technique and leading drills and games.





Benefits of Tiered Assignments



Tiered assignments promote student ownership of learning by allowing students to have more choice and control over their assignments

Tiered assignments enable students to work at a level that matches their readiness, skills, and interests. This promotes personalized learning, allowing students to take ownership of their education and progress at their own pace.

Tiered assignments can be structured to offer varying levels of complexity and depth. Higher-ability students can be challenged with more advanced concepts or extended tasks that encourage critical thinking, problem-solving, and creativity.



Tiered assignments provide opportunities for success at each ability level. Students can experience achievement and build confidence as they tackle tasks that are appropriately challenging for them.

By tailoring assignments to students' abilities, interests, and learning styles, tiered assignments can increase student engagement and motivation.

Tiered assignments provide flexibility and adaptability in instruction. Teachers can modify assignments based on ongoing assessments and student progress.