



What is a Performance Task?

Following the initial screening, students may qualify for additional assessments to get a more accurate picture of a student's academic skill set and intellectual need.

At this phase of the identification process, the student will be assessed with a *Performance Task* in Literacy (reading and writing) and/or Math.

A performance task is an or assessment that requires students to *perform to demonstrate* their knowledge, understanding, and proficiency. Performance tasks yield a tangible product and/or performance, that serves as evidence of learning.

Unlike a selected-response item (e.g., multiple-choice or matching) which asks students to select from given alternatives, a performance task presents a situation that calls for learners to apply their learning in context.

- *Performance tasks call for the application of knowledge and skills, not just recall or recognition.*
- *Performance tasks are open-ended and typically do not yield a single, correct answer.*
- *Performance tasks provide evidence of a student's understanding of knowledge applied to a new situation.*

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