

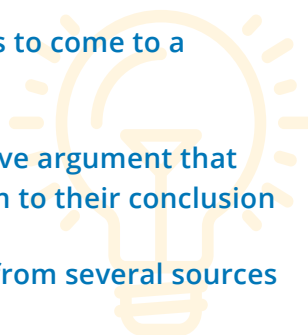
Help Students Improve Their Employability With Performance-Based Assessment

In order to master academic content, students need to develop higher-order skills like critical thinking, problem solving, and written communication. Proficiency with these skills is harder than math or science to quantify, but well-designed performance-based assessments can provide extensive and nuanced evidence of student abilities, including meaningful insight into student thinking and performance.*

Use this checklist to select a performance-based assessment that will provide students, educators, and institutions with valuable insights to prepare students for success in college and career.

Does the assessment challenge students to:

- Analyze and understand data
- Evaluate the credibility of various sources of information
- Deal with inadequate, ambiguous, and conflicting information
- Apply data to their decision-making process to come to a conclusion or solve a problem
- Construct an organized and logically cohesive argument that clearly explains the evidence that lead them to their conclusion
- Organize, synthesize, and use information from several sources to develop a written response



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The Collegiate Learning Assessment (CLA+) from CAE checks all the boxes. Our performance-based assessment challenges students to develop a solution to a real-world problem and put their critical thinking, problem-solving, and communication skills to work.

Detailed reports provide deep insights and actionable data that can be used to inform next steps with instruction, professional learning, and institution-wide programming. Visit www.cae.org/higher-ed/ to learn more about how CLA+ can support the academic achievement of your students today, and their long-term success in the workforce.

*Strategies for Using American Rescue Plan Funding to Address the Impact of Lost Instructional Time, U.S. Department of Education, August 2021