## **Evaluating the Quality of Your Own Assignments and Activities**

## Goals for the assignment/activity:

What are the goals of this assignment (i.e., what do you want students to accomplish by doing this assignment/activity)?

How does this assignment/activity help students make progress toward the overarching goals of the course?

## How well does this activity engage students and promote learning?

	no	a little	somewhat	definitely
Does this activity/assignment help students place new knowledge, tasks, and experiences into the context of what they already know?	1	2	3	4
Ideas for improvement:				
Does this activity/assignment have an effective "hook" that engages students at the outset?	1	2	3	4
Ideas for improvement:				
Does this activity/assignment provide students				
with the opportunity for independent thinking, analysis, and/or problem-solving (as opposed to following cookbook steps, answering only leading questions, or doing "plug-and-chug" practice problems)?	1	2	3	4
Ideas for improvement:				

Does this activity/assignment require students to synthesize, discuss, extend, or reflect on what they have learned in the activity?	1	2	3	4
Ideas for improvement:				
Does this activity/assignment have an adequate mechanism for providing insights into what students have or have not learned?	1	2	3	4
Ideas for improvement:				

## How well does the assignment meet the goals?

	no	a little	somewhat	definitely
Is the activity/assignment well-aligned with your goals (i.e., does it accomplish what you intended)?	1	2	3	4
Ideas for improvement:				
If a student completes the assignment, can you determine whether the student has met the goals?	1	2	3	4
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