

Assessment Comparison Chart

Directions: Take each type of ice test and decide if: (1) the questions assess factual knowledge or conceptual understanding; (2) questions and student answers inform your instruction; (3) the items would motivate students; and (4) you liked the item format and why.

	Standardized MC	Standards Based MC	Open-ended Question	Constructed Response Investigation
Assess Factual Knowledge	✓	✓	✓	✓
Assess Conceptual Understanding		✓	✓	✓
Able to Learn from Assessment (Informs instruction)		✓	✓	✓
Provide Motivation	✓	✓		
Liked it/ Didn't Like it Why?	(liked it) fast, easy to grade, easy to take if only looking for factual knowledge	liked it give good info about student thinking	have to be worded carefully to make sure they answer right question but provides lots of info on student thinking!	requires students to use a lot of different types of thinking difficult to grade

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