

Rubric: Elements of 21st Century Lesson Plans

*Use this to evaluate lessons you find on the Internet or elsewhere to determine which 21st Century elements they include.
Use this to guide your own lesson planning to include as many relevant 21st Century components as possible.*

Name of lesson: _____

URL or source of lesson: _____

21st Century Topics and Tools:	<u>Needs Improvement</u>	<u>Acceptable</u>	<u>Exemplary</u>
21st Century Content (Check those found) <input type="checkbox"/> Global Awareness <input type="checkbox"/> Financial, Economic, & Business Literacy <input type="checkbox"/> Civic Literacy <input type="checkbox"/> Health & Wellness	Lesson does not target any of the 21 st Century content areas.	Lesson targets one of the 21 st Century content areas.	Lesson targets two or more of the 21 st Century content areas.
21st Century Context (Check those found) <input type="checkbox"/> Content relevant to students' lives <input type="checkbox"/> Bringing world into classroom <input type="checkbox"/> Taking students into the world <input type="checkbox"/> Creating opportunities for interaction and authentic learning experiences	Lesson does not engage students via any 21 st Century context/method.	Lesson engages students via one of the 21 st Century contexts/methods.	Lesson actively engages students via two or more 21 st Century contexts/methods.
Technology Tools (Check those found) <input type="checkbox"/> Information/Communication Technologies (probes, iPods, electronic whiteboards, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Audio, video, multimedia, other digital tools <input type="checkbox"/> Access to online learning communities and resources <input type="checkbox"/> Aligned digital content, software, adequate hardware, appropriate tech support.	Lesson does not make effective use of any 21 st Century technology tools/techniques to facilitate learning.	Lesson utilizes one of the 21 st Century technology tools/techniques effectively to facilitate student learning.	Lesson effectively utilizes several 21 st Century technology tools/techniques to facilitate student learning.
21st Century Assessments (Check those found) <input type="checkbox"/> Summative <input type="checkbox"/> Benchmark <input type="checkbox"/> Formative/Classroom	Lesson includes only a summative assessment of learning after the lesson is finished.	Lesson includes at least one formative/classroom assessment which can be used to guide instruction prior to the conclusion of the lesson.	Lesson includes an array of balanced 21 st Century authentic assessments for learning to inform and guide instruction throughout the lesson.
21st Century Learning Skills:	<u>Needs Improvement</u>	<u>Acceptable</u>	<u>Exemplary</u>
Information/Communication Skills (Check those found) <input type="checkbox"/> Information/Media Literacy <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Literacy <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Skills	Lesson does little to promote development of any 21 st Century information and communication skills.	Lesson promotes some development of one of the 21 st Century information and communication skills.	Lesson actively promotes development of multiple 21 st Century information and communication skills.
Thinking/Reasoning Skills (Check those found) <input type="checkbox"/> Critical Thinking <input type="checkbox"/> Systems Thinking <input type="checkbox"/> Problem Solving <input type="checkbox"/> Creating and Innovating	Lesson limits the application of higher order thinking/reasoning skills in any of the lesson components.	Lesson encourages the application of one of the higher order thinking/reasoning skills in a component of the lesson.	Lesson strongly encourages the active application of varied higher order thinking/reasoning skills within several of the lesson components.
Personal/Work Place Productivity Skills (Check those found) <input type="checkbox"/> Interpersonal/Collaboration Skills <input type="checkbox"/> Self-Direction <input type="checkbox"/> Adaptability <input type="checkbox"/> Ethical Behavior <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Personal Accountability <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership <input type="checkbox"/> Project Planning/Development	Lesson provides little or no opportunity to practice personal and work place productivity skills during any of the lesson components.	Lesson provides an opportunity to practice one of the personal and work place productivity skills in a component of the lesson.	Lesson provides multiple opportunities to practice several of the personal and work place productivity skills in the lesson components.

Comments about the lesson you reviewed:

What about this lesson do you think needs improved to make it more of a 21st Century lesson?

What aspects of this lesson would you like to incorporate into your own 21st Century lesson plan?

What is your overall rating of this lesson with regard to 21st Century elements?