

Problem Solver

Attribute	Problem Solver 6-8	Definition	Persevering through identifying a problem, conducting an investigation, collecting information, and evaluating outcomes.		
Competency	Indicators of Problem Solver Competency	Establishing	Approaching	Achieving	Exceeding
<p>I can identify and solve an authentic problem and demonstrate commitment to persevere through challenges.</p>	Defines a problem.	Selects a problem from provided resources to research or investigate.	Using provided resources, identifies information and evidence to define a problem.	With support, identifies relevant information to define an authentic problem that requires sustained investigation.	Leverages resources to independently develop a relevant idea for study aligned with an authentic, challenging problem.
	Uses strategy or method.	Uses an outlined method to approach a problem.	Uses strategies or methods to approach a problem.	Identifies appropriate strategies to approach a problem.	Utilizes strategies to effectively apply an approach that addresses the problem.
	Collects information.	Utilizes provided information to categorize data.	Using a provided template and resources, collects information or data.	Uses provided resources to collect information or data.	Collects relevant information or data in a predetermined format.
	Analyzes information.	Recognizes patterns in information for analysis.	Using a predetermined template, applies meaning to information for analysis.	With support, determines significance of information to apply to analysis.	Identifies a process or strategy to analyze information.
	Draws conclusions or makes an informed decision.	Questions assumptions to make an informed decision.	With assistance, develops a conclusion.	Develops a conclusion supported with evidence.	Develops a conclusion that is supported by evidence and considers alternate perspectives.
Rigor Level	Level of Complexity	Retrieval	Comprehension	Analysis	Knowledge Utilization
	Mental Process	Executing	Integrating	Analyzing	Decision Making

Collaborator

Attribute	Collaborator 6-8	Definition	Working toward a common goal as a member of a team through shared leadership and responsibility. <i>(Shared leadership: when each person takes ownership and responsibility for the part they play)</i>		
Competency	Indicators of Collaborator Competency	Establishing	Approaching	Achieving	Exceeding
<p>I can work with others towards a common goal by identifying my strengths and utilizing teamwork strategies.</p>	<p>Shares ideas.</p> <p>Contributes resources.</p> <p>Engages in conversation with peers.</p> <p>Monitors progress.</p> <p>Evaluates strengths and weaknesses.</p> <p>Communicates with empathy.</p> <p>Makes group decisions.</p>	<p>Discusses ideas with group.</p> <p>Understands resources are needed for the group's goals.</p> <p>Responds to questions from the group.</p> <p>Acknowledges deadlines have been established.</p> <p>Acknowledges the need to identify strengths and weaknesses.</p> <p>Understands the importance of using kind words when speaking with group members.</p> <p>Shares individual ideas.</p>	<p>Understands ideas shared by group members.</p> <p>Reviews resources identified as appropriate for the group's goals.</p> <p>Contributes to conversations with the group.</p> <p>Understands the group deadlines and the need to monitor progress.</p> <p>Realizes personal strengths and weaknesses need to be identified.</p> <p>Understands individuals and groups have different strengths and weaknesses.</p> <p>Understands that a group decision is the goal.</p>	<p>Elaborates on ideas already shared by group members.</p> <p>Identifies relevance among resources shared by the group.</p> <p>Generates conversation topics relevant to the group's goals.</p> <p>Uses tools to self-monitor group participation toward progress.</p> <p>Identifies personal strengths and weaknesses.</p> <p>Understands communicating with empathy supports group members.</p> <p>Demonstrates flexibility to compromise.</p>	<p>Establishes ideas that are relevant to group goals.</p> <p>Initiates sourcing of resources that contribute to the group's goals.</p> <p>Effectively contributes to teamwork and compromises to support the group's action plan.</p> <p>Develops a practice of self-monitoring by recognizing the importance of documenting contributions.</p> <p>Identifies personal and group strengths and weaknesses with clarity.</p> <p>Demonstrates signs of empathy and understanding with group members.</p> <p>Helps to manage the decision-making that leads to compromise.</p>
Rigor Level	Level of Complexity	Retrieval	Comprehension	Analysis	Analysis
	Mental Process	Recognizing	Integrating	Matching	Generalizing

Communicator

Attribute	Communicator 6-8	Definition	Clearly sharing ideas using an appropriate communication strategy supported by relevant evidence.		
Competency	Indicators of Communicator Competency	Establishing	Approaching	Achieving	Exceeding
I can share information and ideas clearly, choosing a style and tone that considers my audience and purpose.	<p>Makes a claim.</p> <p>Organizes relevant evidence.</p> <p>Cites examples.</p> <p>Uses proper style and tone.</p>	<p>Restates a given claim.</p> <p>Uses sources provided.</p> <p>Lists evidence related to the claim.</p> <p>Determines if a message is understandable for a targeted audience.</p>	<p>States a simple claim.</p> <p>Selects sources related to the claim from a collection.</p> <p>Uses evidence related to the claim.</p> <p>Constructs an understandable message for a targeted audience.</p>	<p>Makes a supported claim.</p> <p>Identifies sources related to the claim.</p> <p>Provides evidence that is aligned to the claim.</p> <p>Presents a clear and logical message.</p>	<p>Makes a clear, relevant, and detailed claim.</p> <p>Identifies credible primary and secondary sources.</p> <p>Provides evidence with specific examples that effectively support the claim.</p> <p>Conveys a tailored, well-organized, coherent message for a targeted audience.</p>
Rigor Level	Level of Complexity	Retrieval	Comprehension	Analysis	Analysis
	Mental Process	Recalling	Integrating	Classifying	Analyzing

Advocate

Attribute	Advocate 6-8	Definition	Promoting equitable, ethical decisions independently, standing accountable for those decisions, and supporting those who are unable to do so.		
Competency	Indicators of Advocate Competency	Establishing	Approaching	Achieving	Exceeding
I can understand viewpoints and recognize bias to create and implement an action plan that promotes equity.	Recognizes and acknowledges biases. Demonstrates understanding of varied viewpoints. Creates an actionable plan. Promotes equity.	Defines bias. Articulates own viewpoint. Envisions a plan for advocacy. Defines equity.	Recognizes bias. Distinguishes what makes a viewpoint different from their own. Identifies steps necessary to create an action plan for advocacy. Describes ways to achieve equity.	Recognizes and describes multiple aspects of biases. Demonstrates understanding of varied viewpoints. Creates an organized, actionable plan for advocacy. Effectively promotes equity.	Identifies and works to eliminate bias. Works to find common understanding between varied viewpoints. Creates and implements an actionable plan for advocacy. Promotes equity in a manner that tangibly enhances fairness within society.
Rigor Level	Level of Complexity	Comprehension	Analysis	Analysis	Knowledge Utilization
	Mental Process	Integrating	Matching	Generalizing	Problem Solving