

## Performance Assessment: GRASPS

When constructing performance assessment tasks, it helps to use the acronym GRASPS:

**G** Real-world Goal

**R** Real-world Role

**A** Real-world Audience

**S** Real-world Situation

**P** Real-world Products or Performances

**S** Standards

### GOAL

Provide a statement of the task.

Establish the goal, problem, challenge, or obstacle in the task.

### ROLE

Define the role of the students in the task.

State the job of the students for the task.

### AUDIENCE

Identify the target audience within the context of the scenario.

Example audiences might include a client or committee.

### SITUATION

Set the context of the scenario.

Explain the situation.

### PRODUCT

Clarify what the students will create and why they will create it.

### STANDARDS and CRITERIA [INDICATORS]

Provide students with a clear picture of success.

Identify specific standards for success.

Issue rubrics to the students or develop them with the students.

## Constructing a Performance Task Scenario Using GRASPS

Consider the following set of stem statements as you construct a scenario for a performance task. Refer to the tables above to help you brainstorm possible scenarios. Note: These are idea starters. Resist the urge to fill in all of the blanks!

### Goal:

- Your task is \_\_\_\_\_
- Your goal is to \_\_\_\_\_
- The problem or challenge is \_\_\_\_\_
- The obstacle to overcome is \_\_\_\_\_

### Role:

- You are \_\_\_\_\_
- You have been asked to \_\_\_\_\_
- Your job is \_\_\_\_\_

### Audience:

- Your clients are \_\_\_\_\_
- The target audience is \_\_\_\_\_
- You need to convince \_\_\_\_\_

### Situation:

- The context you find yourself in is \_\_\_\_\_
- The challenge involves dealing with \_\_\_\_\_

### Product, Performance, and Purpose:

- You will create a \_\_\_\_\_ in order to \_\_\_\_\_
- You need to develop \_\_\_\_\_ so that \_\_\_\_\_

### Standards and Criteria for Success:

- Your performance needs to \_\_\_\_\_
- Your work will be judged by \_\_\_\_\_
- Your product must meet the following standard (quality) \_\_\_\_\_
- A successful result will \_\_\_\_\_