Teacher Observation Scale (TOS)™

Content Categories

Subscale	Category	# of Items
LESSON DEVELOPMENT	1 Using an effective motivation	3
	2 Eliciting the aim of the lesson from students	2
	3 Selecting an aim appropriate to the topic of the lesson	2
	4 Demonstrating that the aim was achieved	3
	5 Logically and sequentially developing the lesson	5
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS	6 Asking challenging and thought-provoking questions	4
	7 Phrasing questions	2
	8 Dealing with answers	2
USE OF TEACHING AIDS	9 Using the board effectively	2
	10 Using teach aids effectively (e.g., technology)	1
	11 Employing demonstrations effectively	2
CONTENT, APPLICATION, AND SUMMARIES	12 Encouraging student application of lesson concepts	2
	13 Using appropriate lesson summaries	2
	14 Using appropriate content within the lesson	3
CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT	15 Encouraging student involvement in the lesson	3
	16 Encouraging student to student exchange	1
	17 Establishing rapport with students	1
	18 Managing the class effectively	2
	19 Maintaining student interest in the lesson	3
PRESENTATION SKILLS	20 Demonstrating scholarship and lesson enrichment	2
	21 Displaying positive demeanor, poise and vitality	1
	22 Demonstrating good voice quality, pronunciation, clarity	2
	TOTAL	50