



# Helpful Vocabulary for Learning Coaches

## What is an **assessment**?

A way to evaluate if a student understood the lessons. Some assessments are used to determine grades.

Examples include class participation, discussions, quizzes, tests, exams, and portfolios.

## What is a **portfolio**?

**One type of assessment.** In general, portfolios are assignments or projects students must complete and submit to their teachers for grading.

Examples include written compositions, lab reports, essays, and book reports.

## What is a **rubric**?

A guide teachers provide to help students understand the expectations for a paper, project, or other **assessment**. A rubric can take many forms, but often looks like a checklist or step-by-step instructions. It will also explain the criteria that will be used for grading.

## Have questions?

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