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|  | **Blank Rubric – (template available in .doc form online) All terms below should have been thoroughly covered in class:** | | | |
|  | **D: More weaknesses than strengths;** needs extreme improvement; unacceptable | **C: (An equal number of strengths and weaknesses;** Needs improvement;  acceptable but not good. | **B: More strengths than weaknesses;** Good, but needs improvement | **A: Mostly strengths; trivial weaknesses; needs almost no improvement; excellent** |
| Important quality of assignment or learning objective | **Almost always, (negative description)** | **About half the time, (negative description), But sometimes (highlight positive qualities to right)** | **Most of the time (positive description**  But sometimes (highlight negative qualities to left) | **almost always (Positive, desired qualities)**  (Hint: use the LEAST words possible. Use list form when possible. The goal is for you and the student to easily grasp key descriptors. |
| Important quality of assignment or learning objective | **Almost always, (negative description)** | **About half the time, (negative description), But sometimes (highlight positive qualities to right)** | **Most of the time (positive description**  But sometimes (highlight negative qualities to left) | **Almost always,** |
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Three excellent sites with sample rubrics (more are posted on the Academy website). <https://www.cbd.int/ibd/2008/Resources/teachers/appendix3.shtml> <http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/academicassessment/Toolbox/Sample%20Tools> <http://www.cmu.edu/teaching/assessment/assesslearning/rubrics.html>

**A sample of verbs for writing learning objectives (not comprehensive):**

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| **Type of Learning** | **Definition** | **Example Action Words** |
| Remembering | Recalling information | Recognize, name, retrieve, describe, list, define, identify, outline, reproduce |
| Understanding | Explaining ideas or concepts | Explain, summarize, paraphrase, classify, interpret, distinguish, defend, discuss |
| Applying | Using information in another situation | Use, execute, carry out, implement, classify, solve, demonstrate, compute |
| Analyzing | Breaking info. into parts to explore understanding and relationships | Analyze, organize, compare, deconstruct, dissect, differentiate, diagram, combine |
| Evaluating | Justifying a decision or course of action | Judge, critique, experiment, hypothesize, appraise, assess, justify |
| Creating | Generating new ideas, products, or ways of viewing | Produce, design, construct, plan, |