

WORKSHEET A

Title	Personal experience of assessment		
Objective(s)	Reflecting about the role of assessment in the personal experience and teaching practice		
Keywords	Personal biography – emotions – attitudes – sharing		
Ref to the Guide	1.1, 2.2, 4	Ref to the CEFR	2.4, 9

Task A (†) then († † †)

Think about the following situations. What emotions, pictures, associations, words come up in your mind for each situation?

- Think of situations when you yourself have assessed your personal performance/progress.
- Think of situations when your performance/progress has been assessed by others – in general, and in languages.
- Think of examples/situations/types of assessment that have encouraged/discouraged you as a person, and as a learner. What makes a difference?
- Make a link with your role as a language teacher: How do your experiences influence your attitudes to assessment?

Then share with others. Share examples and concrete anecdotes too.

Task B

Step 1 (†)

Reflect on your teaching practice. How important are these elements for you? Add any aspects of assessment you consider important.

Not important → Very important

<i>Assessing language accuracy</i>					
<i>Assessing language fluency</i>					
<i>Assessing cultural aspects of language learning</i>					
<i>Preparing learners to external examination</i>					
<i>Using assessment methods checking the product of learning</i>					
<i>Using assessment methods focusing on the process of learning</i>					
<i>Negotiating with learners the types of assessment and assessment criteria to be used in the classroom</i>					
<i>Modifying the assessment types to the learners' level and needs</i>					
<i>Encouraging self-assessment</i>					
<i>Encouraging peer-assessment</i>					
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Step 2 (👤 👤 👤)

Share your grids in groups and discuss about advantages and disadvantages of the different aspects/elements. Try and rely the results of this discussion with those of step 2. Make a synthesis of the aspects of assessment you consider fundamental as well as of their implications. While sharing your opinions say if certain aspects seem particularly problematic to you.

