



Lesson Type Quick Reference Guide

Lesson	Description	Content Area	Grade Level
Data Set	Each Interactive Data Set assignment includes a curated real-world data set, interactive graphing and statistical tools, and rigorous pre-built instruction that supports guided inquiry. Students will use the interactive tools to organize, manipulate and analyze the data set as they progress through an assignment. Interactive Data Sets	Science	Secondary
Explainer	Explainers are formally textbook sections, and provide a broad, informative overview that helps readers understand a topic or issue	ELA and Social Studies	All grades
NGSS Assessment Science	Each assessment (performance task) focuses on a single Middle School Performance Expectation of NGSS and can be used to fit within your unique scope and sequence. All assessments are designed using best practices, including the Next Generation Science Task Screener .	Science	6 th -9 th
Skills Practice	Skill practice assignments are activities that target a specific skill. In Science and Social Studies, they focus on teaching students how to better understand and study different topics.	ELA, Science and S.S.	Secondary
Summative Performance Tasks	Summative performance tasks assess student comprehension and understanding of standards-aligned concepts and skills in ELA or Social Studies. They are included in middle school and high school Actively Learn curriculum units.	ELA, Science and S.S.	Secondary
DBQ	Designed to support teaching within the C3 Framework, the Actively Learn Social Studies Document-Based Assessments are rigorously designed to require students to perform the work of historians, rather than simply memorize facts and sequence of events.	Social Studies	Secondary
PhET Simulation	PhET simulations incorporate research-based practices on effective teaching to enhance the learning of science concepts through inquiry-driven assignments. These simulations can be found under the Interactives page in the Science catalog. Phet Simulations	Science	Secondary