

Key Stage 3 Science Assessment



Data Drop	What assessment(s) informs this data drop?	How is this assessment marked, moderated and feedback to students?
1	 At the end of each topic students will have: 1. A multiple-choice knowledge assessment with a score given out of 20. Students are given notice of the knowledge assessment with time to revise the key knowledge for the unit. 2. A skills question worth four marks. The aim is to test students on a particular skill that we believe will be pivotal in the development of good scientific literacy. 	The assessment is multiple choice with each question worth 1 mark. The test will be peermarked in the lesson and a score out of 20 generated and captured by teachers on an internal tracking. The scores are used as a formative piece of evidence As the first data drop has no formal targets the data will assess engagement in science. Student feedback is immediate.
2	Two formal rotation tests which assesses both knowledge and application of science. The test is out of 50 and is comprised of a biology, chemistry and physics topic. Students will be given advance notice of the rotation test to allow them to prepare. Each rotation test will assess a variety of knowledge and skills	The assessment will be marked by class teachers and provided back to students. Students will complete a feedback form with specific targets of intervention in order to make progress
3	Three formal rotation test which assesses both knowledge and application of science. The test is out of 50 and is comprised of a biology, chemistry and physics topic. Students will be given advance notice of the rotation test to allow them to prepare. Each rotation test will assess a variety of knowledge and skills	The assessment will be marked by class teachers and provided back to students. Students will complete a feedback form with specific targets of intervention in order to make progress.
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