## Peace Education resources: http://www.peacepsych.org/peace-education.htm

## Examples of Rubrics/Criteria for Reflective Writing

Weekly Reflection Worksheets Current Events Press Clippings/Alternative Press Clippings Discussion & Class Participation Review of Nonfiction Books/Documentaries Community Events/Activities/Interviews

# **Creating Rubrics**

## Advantages

Helps professor clarify own objectives for teaching/learning Provides teachable moments with feedback, especially if used with student self-assessment Adds structure to course (especially given expectations of Millennials)

# Steps--Adair, H. E.(2011). The creation of rubrics to measure student learning outcomes. Poster presentation at the

119<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the American Psychological Association. Washington, DC. Declare/frame learning objectives: "students will be able to...." at top of every assignment

Quantify the objectives: measurable terms with behavioral anchors (operationally define criteria for each proficiency level)

Check for content validity and rater reliability (when presenting to students and when grading)

## **Identify Criteria for Assessment**

#### **Discussion/Class Participation**

- Reflection Worksheets
  - Position Statement Logical Reasoning Thoughtful Reflection Comprehension Information Analysis Assignment Completion

#### **Current Events (Popular/Alternative Press)**

Difficulty of Interpretation Creativity Comprehension Variety Assignment Completion Application of Text/Course Materials Initiative Listening Comprehension Interpersonal Skills

## **Review of Nonfiction Books/Documentaries**

Detail/Extent of Coverage Thoughtful Reflection Difficult/Complexity Organization Critique Author/Director & Sources Complete

#### **Community Events/Activities**

Difficulty of Interpretation X 2 Degree of Risk Comprehension Application of Text/Course Materials Structure/Selection of Events Assignment Completion

# Establish Levels of Proficiency

Mastering/Developing/Emerging/Missing Excellent/Competent/Needs Work Accomplished/Developed/Beginner

## Weekly Reflection Worksheets: Examples of Goals for Assignments

Encourage students to dig more deeply into the assignment than to merely "read over" or prepare for a quiz (Weeks 1, 6, 9)

Come prepared so that discussion is more concrete as it relates to course materials (Weeks 2 &10) Interview others so that examples are of opinions beyond student's own attitudes (Weeks 3 & 7) Counteract unexpected direction in class discussions/reinforce or provide opportunity for further exploration along desirable line of inquiry (Weeks 4 & 5)

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