



THE BIG THREE

COMMUNICATION		
Target	Component	Criteria for Proficiency
	Control & Support Ideas	Main idea is clear and supported with sufficient evidence.
	Organize	Flow of information/ideas is cohesive.
	Appeal to Audience	Makes appropriate choices for content and purpose (vocabulary, examples, size)
	Present	Format supports delivery of content.

CRITICAL THINKING		
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	Conceptualize	Identifies & describes the information using relevant prior knowledge and/or observations.
	Apply	Uses learned information in a new way to present original ideas or apply to the real world.
	Analyze	Examines all relevant information to identify cause and effect relationships, key factors, possible results, compare/contrast, and/or make decisions.
	Synthesis	Draws appropriate conclusions based on multiple sources.

PROBLEM SOLVING		
Target	Component	Criteria for Proficiency
	Identify	Identifies all elements of the problem.
	Plan	Process demonstrates a progression towards an understanding.
	Implement	Applies relevant concepts in order to provide an accurate solution.
	Reflect/Analyze	Evaluates strengths/weaknesses and makes appropriate changes if necessary.