

Summative vs. Formative Assessment

Formative (*practice*)

- Use to check students' progress
- The information gained guides the next steps in instruction and helps consider the additional learning opportunities needed to ensure success
- Formative assessment information must be fed forward into an instructional model that allows for responsiveness to student need
- **Examples:** Writing assignments, Quizzes, asking questions

Summative (*game*)

- Summative assessments provide information about the attainment of knowledge
- Results translate to an overall level of achievement.
- The goal is to evaluate student learning at the end of an instructional unit by comparing it to the IBO standards (rubric).
- **Examples:** A paper, tests/mid-term exams, projects & presentations