## Formative assessment and diagnostic questions

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Students can answer quizzes:

1. www.diagnosticquestions.com
2. www.eedi.co.uk
3. The eedi app

- Eedi2018
QEedi2018

| A | B | C | D |
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## Explain why you answered $\mathbf{A}$

I did $4 \times 4$ and then divided by 100

How confident are you in your answer?
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## A Diagnostic Question has:

## One correct answer

Three incorrect answers

## Each incorrect answer reveals a specific mistake or misconception

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Formative Assessment

## Asking diagnostic questions in class...

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The following questions and prompts can be used with students who are answering the diagnostic questions:

## Support

- Are there any answers you can rule out?
- Which answer looks the most sensible?
- What topic in the curriculum is this?


## Extension

- Write the best explanation you possibly can for the correct answer
- Convince me why each of the alternative answers is wrong
- Can you explain what misconception someone has who chooses each of the incorrect answers?
- What other alternative incorrect answers would you have included, and why?
- Can you write some questions that would make each of the wrong answers correct?
- Create your own diagnostic question on this topic, explaining your reasoning behind each of your three incorrect answers

Write your Question here:


Choose 4 answers to go here. Think very carefully about the wrong answers. Wrong answers should be designed to tease out specific misconceptions.


Now for each wrong answer explain why you chose it. What specific mistake has a student made if they choose each wrong answer?


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## For Years 1 to 8*...

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White Rose Maths
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## My 5 Golden Rules for Diagnostic Questions

1) They should be clear and unambiguous
2) They should test a single skill or concept
3) Students should be able to answer in less than 30 seconds
4) You should learn something from each incorrect response without the student needing to explain
5) It is not possible to answer the question correctly whilst still holding a key misconception


## Plan for error

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An extraordinary and important book' Dylan Wiliam

## Planning for error with your colleagues



- Step 1: Pick a topic...

EDEXCEL GCSE Mathematics (9-1) Route Map - Foundation Tier (Start September 2015)
Year 10
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What is the difference between the two temperatures?


Which number is 3 greater than -0.6 ?


2.6

2.4
3.6
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What is the mean minimum temperature for the week shown below?

| Day | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat | Sun |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Min. <br> temp | $2^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $-9^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $-11^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $-4^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $-8^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | $-12^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ |


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- Step 7: Ask 3 questions:
- Where do students go wrong?
- Why do they go wrong?
- ***What are we going to do about it? ${ }^{* * *}$


