

Traditional
State
Assessments

New CCSS
Assessments

Common
Performance
Tasks

Learning
Tasks

Student-
Designed
Projects

CONTINUUM OF ASSESSMENT FOR DEEPER LEARNING

Standardized,
multiple-choice
tests of routine
skills

Standardized
tests with
multiple-choice
and open-ended
items, plus 1-2
day performance
tasks of some
applied
knowledge and
skills

Standard
performance
tasks lasting 1-3
weeks that
include
structured inquiry
and demand
more integrated
skills

Performance
tasks that require
students to carry
out inquiries,
analyze findings,
and revise in
response to
feedback

Longer, deeper
investigations
lasting 2-3
months requiring
students to
initiate, design,
d=conduct,
analyze, revise,
and present their
work in multiple
modalities

Examples: WKSE-
CRT, OAKS

Examples: SBAC
and PARCC

Examples: C-PAS
and SCALE NY

Examples: C-PAS
and SCALE OH

Examples:
Envision Schools,
NY Performance
Standards
Consortium, IB