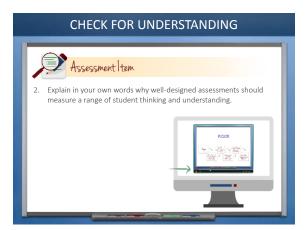


CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING Awswer 1. Using Bloom's Taxonomy, identify the level or levels of rigor in this standard from lowa. Remember to pay close attention to the verbs. Understand the use of geographic tools to locate and analyze information about people, places, and environments. The key verbs in the skills in this standard are "use" and "analyze," which are associated with lower- and higher-order skills. "Understand" is a level 1 skill, and "analyze" is a level 4 skill.

Assessment I tem 2. Explain in your own words why well-designed assessments should measure a range of student thinking and understanding.



Answer 2. Explain in your own words why well-designed assessments should measure a range of student thinking and understanding. Well-designed assessments include items with various levels of rigor to ensure that they measure what all students know and can do. If assessments are too easy, some students may not have the apportunity to demonstrate the upper bounds of what they know and can do. I should include items in my assessment that challenge all of my students. On the other hand, if assessments are too complex, some students may not be able to showcase their knowledge and skills at all. I can include items that require lower-level thinking to reveal where learning breaks down among students struggling to master a standard.

