

*Texas Examinations of Educator Standards (TEXES) - Pedagogy
Sample Questions: Early Childhood - 4th Grade Generalist Certification*

Competency: The teacher understands procedures for designing effective and coherent instruction and assessment based on appropriate learning goals and objectives.

Question: A first-grade teacher plans to spend time each day reading aloud to her class. The primary goal of this activity is to promote students' appreciation and enjoyment of reading. In selecting books for this purpose it is most important for the teacher to ensure that the books she chooses:

- A. Reflect situations likely to be equally familiar to all students.
- B. Have clear connections to the content that students will be learning.
- C. Feature controlled vocabulary with which all first graders should be familiar.
- D. Are engaging and of interest to the students.



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Question: The most important reason for planning an entire unit before beginning instruction is to:

- A. Facilitate moving from one topic to another in the unit according to students' interests and needs.
- B. Allow the unit's summative assessment tool to be created before developing lesson plans.
- C. Ensure that the content and learning activities are sequenced in a logical and coherent manner.
- D. Determine whether the topic of the unit is appropriate given the age and development level of the students.