

# Rubric – HLP 17 Use Flexible Grouping

Pillar HLPs: [HLP 7](https://ttaconline.org/Resource/JWHaEa5BS74ozkSjhgK7Pw/Resource-rubric--checklist--hlp-7-establish-a-consistent-organized-and-respectful-learning-environment) & [HLP 16](https://ttaconline.org/Resource/JWHaEa5BS76Vge_avkrQBw/Resource-rubric--hlp-16-use-explicit-instruction-vdoe-ttac-at-gmu)

| **Rating** | **Data** | **Homogeneous Groups** | **Heterogeneous Groups** | **Student Accountability** | **Teacher Monitoring** |
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| **Ineffective**  | Teachers seldom use student data to appropriately group students based on the learning goals and targets.  | Teachers seldom use homogeneous groups for intensive instruction with students who have similar strengths, needs, and/or interests.  | Teachers seldom create structure and use heterogeneous groups to increase academic discussions, promote social skills, and facilitate interpersonal relationships between students.  | Teachers seldom hold students accountable for collective group and individual work.  | Teachers seldom monitor group interactions or provide positive and constructive feedback on student learning and behavior.  |
| **Approaching****Effective**  | Teachers sometimes use data to appropriately group students based on the learning goals and targets. | Teachers sometimes use homogeneous groups for intensive instruction with students who have similar strengths, needs, and/or interests.  | Teachers sometimes create structure and use heterogeneous groups to increase academic discussions, promote social skills, and facilitate interpersonal relationships between students.  | Teachers sometimes hold students accountable for collective group and individual work.  | Teachers sometimes monitor group interactions and provide positive and constructive feedback on student learning and behavior.  |
| **Effective**  | Teachers often use data to appropriately group students based on the learning goals and targets. | Teachers often use homogeneous groups for intensive instruction with students who have similar strengths, needs, and/or interests.  | Teachers often create structure and use heterogeneous groups to increase academic discussions, promote social skills, and facilitate interpersonal relationships between students.  | Teachers often hold students accountable for collective group and individual work.  | Teachers often monitor group interactions and provide positive and constructive feedback on student learning and behavior.  |
| **Highly Effective** | Teachers always use data to appropriately group students based on the learning goals and targets. | Teachers always use homogeneous groups for intensive instruction with students who have similar strengths, needs, and/or interests.  | Teachers always create structure and use heterogeneous groups to increase academic discussions, promote social skills, and facilitate interpersonal relationships between students.  | Teachers always hold students accountable for collective group and individual work.  | Teachers always monitor group interactions and provide positive and constructive feedback on student learning and behavior.  |

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