Increase student achievement.

Diagnoses a student's strengths and weaknesses by providing specific results.

Provides data
throughout a unit that
allows tailoring of
instruction and
motivation for
improvement.

Helps students learn how to take charge of their own progress.

Assumes the teacher's role is to promote student success.

Reflects the knowledge, skills, and understandings that underpin standards.

Focuses on enabling targets.	Documents student achievement.
Assumes the teacher's role is to gauge student success.	Diagnoses a program's strengths and weaknesses by providing comparable results.
Provides summative results at the end of a unit or course of study.	Informs others (teachers, parents, administrators, community members) about students' achievement.
Reflects the standards themselves.	