

Discussion Activities

1. Slide 18

Writing Assessment Task from the CLB 3-4 module on Shopping for Groceries:

Write a short review about a grocery store.

Discussion Question: What are some **language focus items** that you think learners may need to practise to be able to perform the task? Think about the grammatical knowledge they might need, any functional or textual knowledge, any socio-linguistic elements that you might need to address through skill-building activities in the classroom.

To help you with your task analysis, look at the sample reviews on the next page. These are from one of the skill-building activities in the module.

Remember that CLB 3 learners will be writing a review of about 5 sentences while CLB 4 learners will be writing a short paragraph.

2. Slide 22

Discussion Question: What are some level-appropriate **language and learning strategies** for Writing that will help learners complete the assessment task? These are strategies that will help learners with their writing skills.

Analyzing Grocery Store Reviews, *continued*

Instructions: Read the reviews from two shoppers about different grocery stores.

ATR

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Talk to your partner.

1. What does the shopper think is good about Westside Market?
2. What is not so good?
3. Circle the number of stars you think this shopper gave. ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆

BarryG

Eastdale Market is close to my house, so it is convenient for me to shop at, but it is too expensive! I don't know anyone who wants to pay \$6.00 for a carton of eggs. The store is dirty and unorganized. The produce is hit or miss. Sometimes it looks really fresh and sometimes it doesn't. Save your money and go down the street to Kay's Grocery instead.

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