Making a Lesson CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE

What do you want the students to... KNOW: UNDERSTAND: DO:

Guiding Questions	Teacher Action
 Cultural- emphasizes the human purpose of what is being learned and its relationship to the students' own cultures. Why might what you are teaching be important to the students' lives? How will you know what's important to them? Who says it's important? If it needs to be taught, how can you connect it to your students' lives? 	
 Learning- encourages students to make choices in content and assessment methods based on their experiences, values, needs, and strengths. Where do students have choice and how do different perspectives show up? How do you know tasks are respectful and meaningful? And to whom? Where might you incorporate activities based on student readiness, learning styles or interests? 	
 Equitable- respectful learning environments in which students racial and ethnic diversity is valued and contributes to successful academic outcomes. How do you create a learning environment where all students are valued? How do you encourage or ensure that every student has a voice? How does student voice impact the decisions you make around your learning environment? How do you affirm students' racial and cultural identities? 	
 Achievement- includes multiple ways to represent knowledge and skills and allow for attainment of outcomes at different points in time. How might you pre-assess to guide instruction? In what ways might you provide ongoing assessment/adjustment? How might you provide: flexible grouping? collaboration? multiple ways for students to show their learning? 	
 Responsive- through positive relationships, rigorous learning experiences are created involving higher order thinking and critical analysis used to address relevant, real(ness) world issues in an action-oriented manner. In what ways do you build authentic relationships with your students? How might you ensure that all students work at a high level through: scaffolding? higher level questioning? critical analysis? rigor? 	

