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Sharing on using SA in school

Student Assessment

Features:

- 1. Flexible: Topic based /Skills based
- 2. Able to cater for learner diversity
- 3. Self marking (reading and listening)
- 4. Interactive (good motivation)
- 5. Various levels available
- 6. Close to TSA format

How we used SA in our school

Step 1: Analyze students' weaknesses

- A. Formative assessment: students' performance in lesson
- **B.** Summative assessment:
- -exam/test/quiz results, teachers' evaluation from the previous year
- -TSA analysis of previous year(s)

A. Exam/test/quiz results, teachers' evaluation from previous year: might be blind spots for teachers training focused on areas of concern based on text book, school curriculum

B. TSA analysis of previous year(s): holistic picture

One year: reflect ability of students last year Three years: reflect area to be improved in the curriculum (level/ school)

Areas to be improved:

- 1. Reading: Format of different text types
- 2. Reading: Inference skills
- 3. Speaking: Elaborating

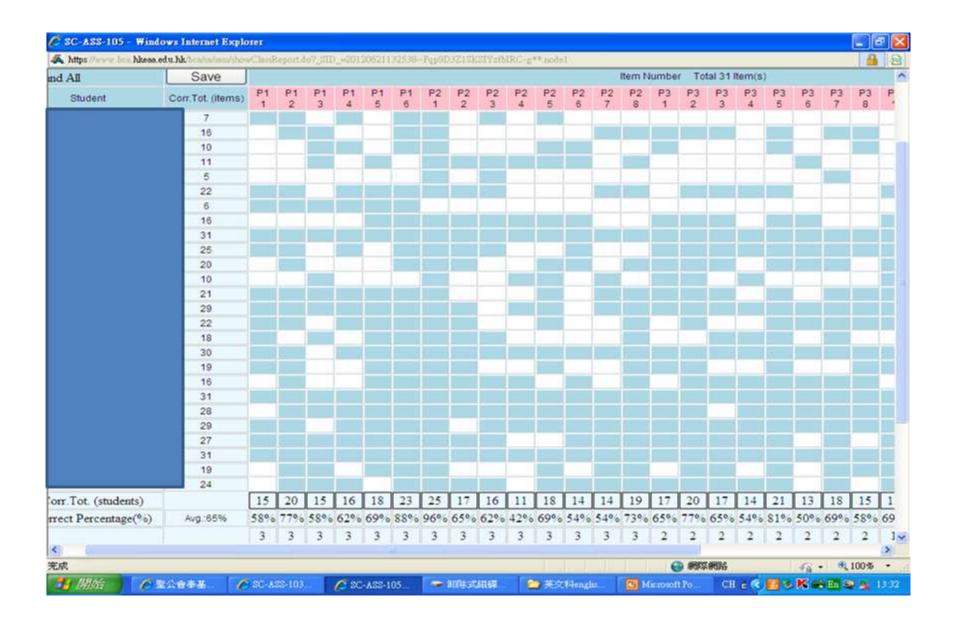
Step 2: Preparation

- Open school account and student account (ask IT department for help)
- Solve technical problems in school/classroom
- Provide teacher training (2 hours)
- Print out labels
- Arrange trial practice for students
- Prepare parents' notice
- Demonstrate how to use SA in lesson
- Create hyperlink at school website



Step 3: Placement test

- Placement test chosen from SA
- Choose a complete set of paper
- Analysis results



Step 4: Use SA in daily teaching

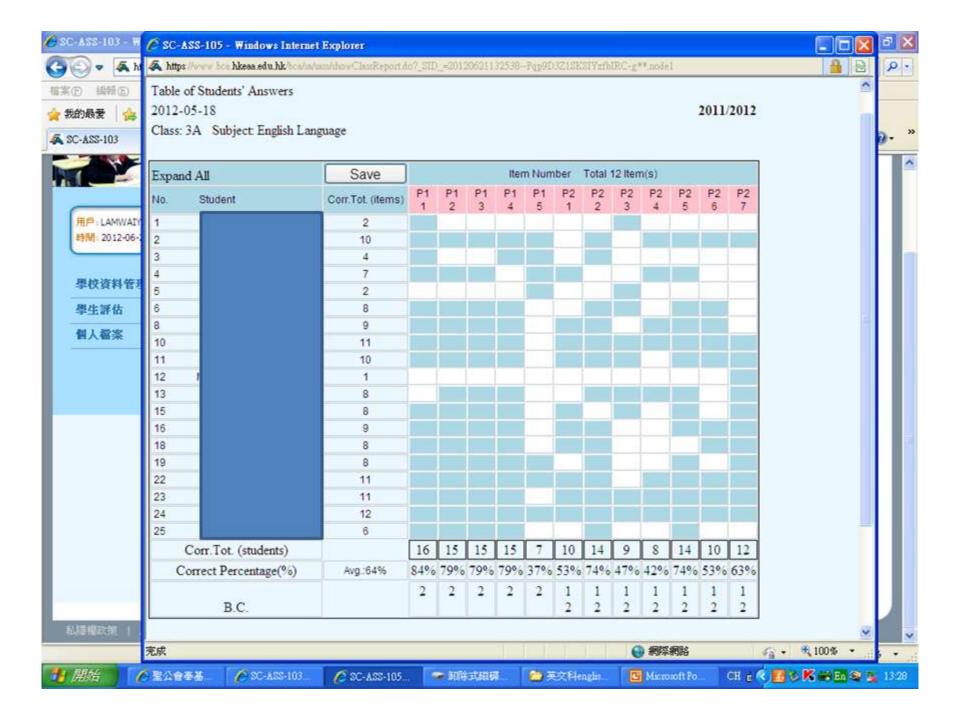
- A. teaching aid
 - Choose SA exercise from related topic
 - Teach reading skills explicitly

- B. Consolidation exercise
 - homework at weekends / long holiday

- C. Assessment tool (e.g.quiz)
 - differentiate high ability, middle ability and low ability students
 - give graded exercise to different students

Limitation

- System does not support tablets in classrooms
- Numbers of computers in school
- Parental / IT support at home
- Too many online trainings
- Writing and Speaking
- Duplicate TSA past papers
- Cannot be printed out
- Highly controlled by teachers



Suggestions

- Use SA in other forms other than P.3,6
- Do not use SA as drilling before TSA but integrate with the curriculum
- Start early