

## Resources and strategies to help teachers do what they do best... teach!

Tools for Teachers is an easy-to-use website that features lessons and activities created by educators to save time, enhance instruction, and prepare students for college or a career.

### **A Commitment to Supporting Students**

Tools for Teachers focuses on the formative assessment process, which helps teachers identify where students are in their learning, where they are going, and how they will get there. In addition, the website was developed with a commitment to accessibility, making it easy for educators to find the strategies that support diverse learners.

### **Variety of Resources**

Tools for Teachers provides access to a variety of resources that teachers can use to support student learning, including:

- Lessons and activities that can help teachers reach students.
- Meaningful descriptions of observable student performance progressions.
- Formative assessment strategies to help teachers identify where students are in their learning, where they are going, and how they will get there.



Check out Tools for Teachers on Pinterest starting September 30, 2020.

Smarter Balanced also has resources for teachers on how to best use these tools for distance learning.

Visit [Remote.SmarterToolsForTeachers.org](https://Remote.SmarterToolsForTeachers.org) to learn more.

The screenshot shows a digital instructional resource interface. On the left is a dark sidebar with a search icon and a list of navigation items: 'Get Started', 'Step-by-Step' (with sub-items 1-7), 'Attachments', 'Accessibility Strategies Used', 'Things To Consider', and 'Formative Assessment Process' (with sub-items). The main content area is titled 'INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCE' and features the article 'To The Moon: Finding Central Idea' by Brendan Lynch, updated Jan 1, 2020. Below the title are sections for 'Get Started', 'Overview', 'Learning Goal', and 'Success Criteria'. A right-hand panel displays 'ELA Grade 5' standards (Claim 3: Speaking & Listening, Target 4: Listen/Interpret, Content Standard SL-2) and a 'Playlists' section with a 'Listen/Interpret' playlist containing 3 resources.

[View this resource in Tools for Teachers](#)

Every instructional resource includes learning goals and success criteria to help educators support their students.

Tools for Teachers links to additional resources for educators to facilitate seamless access to relevant content across other websites and applications, including:

- Smarter Content Explorer
- Interim Test Questions
- Sample Items Website
- Instructional Supports Videos

## Accessing Tools for Teachers

Ready to unlock Tools for Teachers? Full access to Tools for Teachers is provided to educators in most Smarter Balanced states. For more information on how to log in, contact your district assessment coordinator or visit your state assessment portal.

Visit [SmarterToolsForTeachers.org](https://SmarterToolsForTeachers.org) to get started!