

BACKWARD PLANNING

Lessons Plans for Units of Teaching

1

When is the final assessment for the unit you are currently covering?

Plan the final for the unit in advance - before you even start teaching.



2

Between now and the day of the final assessment of the unit, how many days do you have to cover the content?

Count and divide.

3

What main ideas or lesson topics can you teach each of those days before the final assessment?

This step will allow you to hone in on each day's lesson leading up to the final assessment.



4

How will you design each day's lesson?

Plan for each day now that a backward plan is in place.



5

Have some time built in to go over content students are struggling to understand - time for interventions.

Each unit of study usually has 1 or 2 days built in for interventions or to go over material kids did not grasp well.

