Explore the module with your mentor using the CCT Performance Profile. Read the italicized, bold print stem along with the indicators located on the left side of the profile, then read the descriptors of performance for each indicator.

1. One indicator that you see as especially relevant to your classroom practice,
2. Place yourself on the continuum of the selected indicator based on your current classroom practice.
3. Record specific examples/evidence about your current practice and its effect on your students’ learning/performance in the “Notes” section below your selected indicator.

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   - Selects formative and summative assessments that are aligned to curriculum and content standards to monitor student progress.
   - Plans to provide students with information about their current progress, including general strengths and areas of need.
   - Plans include sharing assessment criteria with students.

4. **Designing or selecting academic/behavioral interventions through differentiated, supplemental, specialized instruction for students who do not respond to primary instruction alone.**
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5. **Including strategies for teaching and supporting content area literacy or numeracy skills, and when appropriate, numeracy skills (across the curriculum).**

   **L – Literacy**
   **N – Numeracy**

   ○ Limited planning for teaching content area literacy or numeracy skills.

   ○ (L) Plans to include use of strategies and materials that focus on either:
     - literal comprehension of content, or
     - process and structure of writing/communicating ideas.

   ○ (N) Plans to include use of strategies and materials that focus on representing and/or solving mathematical problems within the content area.

   ○ (L) Plans to include use of some strategies and materials (including multimodal, multimedia and interdisciplinary) to build students’ ability to understand, make meaningful connections to and/or communicate about content-related text.

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   ○ (L & N) Plans to include use of resources to support students’ understanding of concepts and application of learning to help them to make connections within and among content areas and help them to understand the importance of literacy and numeracy in the world around them.