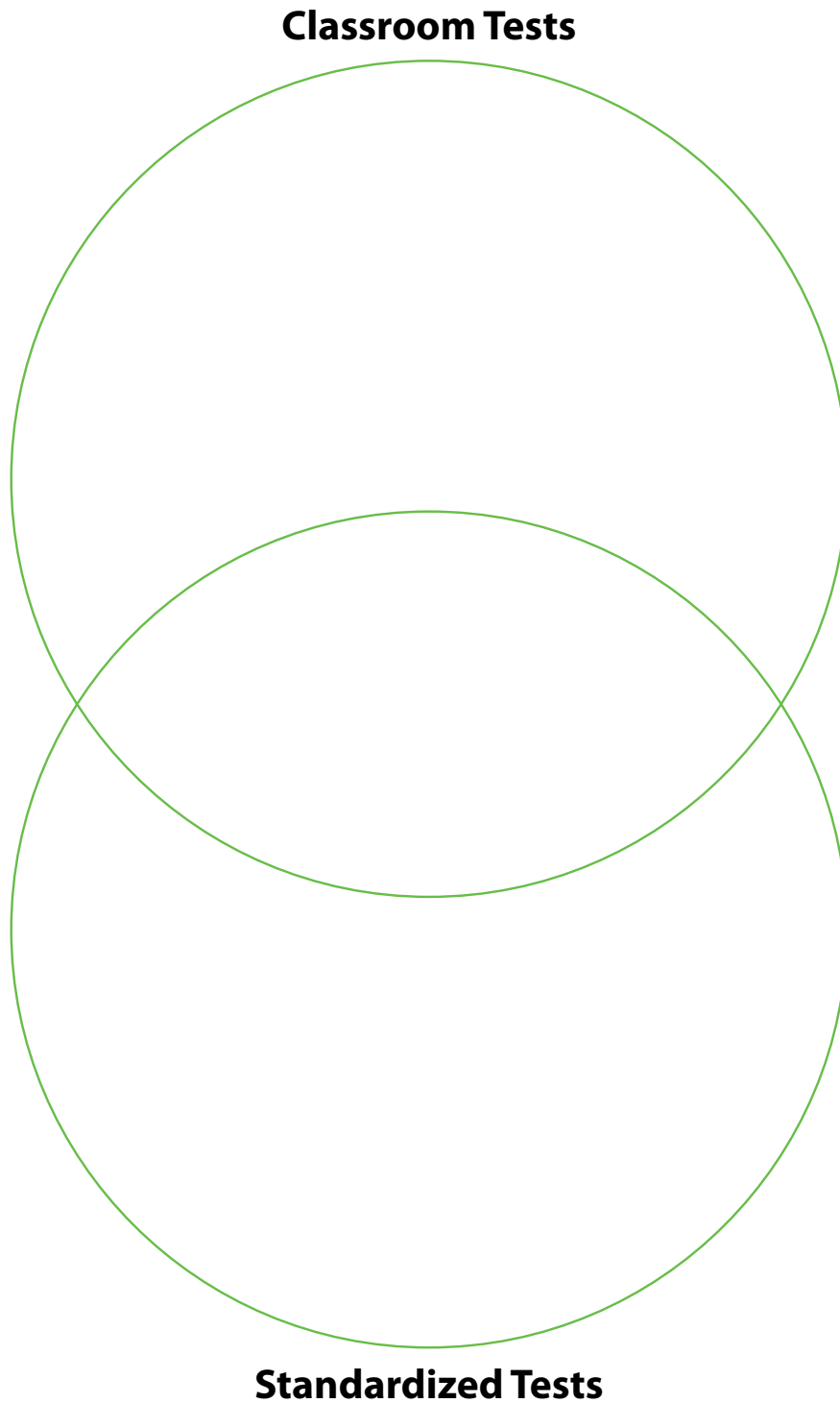


lesson 9: introduction to standardized tests

outcome: Define “standardized test” and list the tests you will take over the coming years.

what is a standardized test?

DIRECTIONS: Compare and contrast classroom tests and standardized tests using the Venn Diagram below.



standardized testing jigsaw

DIRECTIONS: Using the internet or a handout, find the answers to the questions below about the test you are assigned. Then, be prepared to share what you learned about your test with the rest of the class.

TEST NAME: _____

WEBSITE: _____

Jigsaw Questions

The basics:

- What does the test's name stand for?
- When do you take the test?
- Is it optional or required?
- Can you re-take the test? How many times?
- What are the results used for?
- Who sees your results (your teacher, your boss, colleges, etc.)?
- What is the highest score you can get? Is there a minimum score you need?

Subjects and Sections:

- What are the different subject areas you are tested on?
- How many sections are there?
- How much time do you get for each section?
- How many questions are there on each section?
- What type of questions are there (multiple choice, essay, etc.)?

Test day:

- What are the rules for test day? Can you use a calculator? A dictionary? Can you leave the room?
- Is there a cost for taking the test? How much? What should you do if you can't afford to pay the test fee?

Getting ready:

- Are there any resources online to help you prepare? List a few good ones here.