Which assessment tool, when

Start from the first column: what you want to know or do.

What you want	The tool	When, and how long
Where to start the unit	An 8-question diagnostic test	Before the unit; about 15 minutes for students
What you will measure	Measurable objectives	Before planning
Criteria before work is handed in	A rubric	With the task
Move on or reteach?	A hinge question	Mid-lesson; two minutes
Every student's answer in a big class	A/B/C/D cards	Five minutes at most
What stuck from today	An exit ticket	Last five minutes
A student's next step	Three-part feedback	While marking
A worksheet ready to print	Eight rules	Before printing; a five-minute check
A few skills mid-unit	An 8-question short quiz	10 minutes
Questions at different levels	Depth of Knowledge	When writing the test
Fairly shared marks	A table of specifications	Before writing questions
Exam mistakes before printing	A 12-point checklist	Before printing
A decision on each question	A 1-and-0 grid	After marking
Closing the gap	One plan per group	10 minutes a lesson, two weeks

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