Figure 2.14: Reliability Considerations

Reliability Considerations

- Does the assessment provide enough opportunities for students to demonstrate what they know about the intended learning?
 - Number of items
 - Test blueprint
- Two Types of Reliability
 - 1. Inter-rater reliability
 - What is it?
 - Consistency between or among various raters
 - How do you enhance it?
 - Use examples.
 - Review student work collaboratively and conduct inter-rater conversations.
 - Randomly sample.
 - Stratify a randomized sample.
 - 2. Intra-rater reliability
 - What is it?
 - Consistency within the rater
 - How do you enhance it?
 - Ask students to put their names on the backs of assessment items.
 - Grade one constructed response item all the way through the stack of assessments.
 - Shuffle papers between each step of the evaluation.
 - Re-norm your expectations with the criteria when you go to a new constructed response item.



Key question about any assessment:

Can we make a confident inference about the learning that has occurred as a result of the instructional unit?

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