Does Your School's Assessment Policy Pass the EIS Test?

Question		Answer	
1	Does all assessment genuinely support learning?	YES	NO
2	Are formative assessment and teacher professional judgement central to assessment practice?	YES	NO
3	Has time been allocated for meaningful professional dialogue and moderation to inform teacher judgement of pupil progress?	YES	NO
4	Do teachers have autonomy to use professional judgement in determining how and when pupils are assessed, matching methodology to individual needs?	YES	NO
5	Are whole cohorts or classes of pupils assessed at the same time using the same assessment tool?	YES	NO
6	Is standardised testing/assessment being used to gather data to enable the setting of pupils by ability, school to school comparison, or the creation of accountability measures?	YES	NO 🗸
7	Are the results of standardised tests/assessments used as an exclusive measure of learners' progress and achievement?	YES	NO
8	Are assessment judgements based on a range of assessments carried out during the time that a pupil has been working within a CfE level?	YES	NO
9	Are broad approaches to assessment rather than narrow measures reflected in reporting to parents and carers, with information being fully contextualised?	YES 🗸	NO
10	Is time made available at points of transition for teachers to share assessment information to support future learning?	YES	NO

If your school's assessment policy doesn't pass the EIS test, our current advice on assessment could help. Find it here:

www.eis.org.uk/Content/images/education/SNSAs/NIFAdviceNote.pdf