School Task – for applicants to complete during their pre-application work experience visits

Applicant’s name: ................................................................................................................

School:.............................................................................Subject:........................................

Dates of visits:...................................................................Total no. of days.........................

In order to begin to understand the role of a teacher, please complete a number of lesson observations, using the prompts below as a focus. These observations may be in lessons taught by different teachers, be in different age groups, either in your subject area only or across a range of subjects. For each lesson observed, make notes on the following:

☐ How entry to the classroom is organised and strategies used to gain the attention of the class; evidence of teacher preparation for the lesson.
☐ The methods used to support pupil learning; reflect on why these help pupils to learn (modelling, demonstration, resources, visuals etc.)
☐ How pupil talk is used in the learning process (collaboration with peers, small group work, discussion).
☐ The strategies used to identify misconceptions in the development of subject knowledge and how the teacher enables pupils to overcome these.
☐ Strategies used to assess the learning throughout and at the end of the lesson.
☐ Routines at the end of the lesson for dismissal.

If your application is successful and you are invited to an interview, please make a copy of this form for yourself and bring the original with you.

For the Head of Department / Training co-ordinator / Headteacher
Thank you for allowing the person above to complete these tasks. Please comment on the following and give the form to them. This feedback will be followed up at interview.

Relationship with pupils

Relationship with staff

Potential to be a secondary school teacher of ......................................................... (subject)

Please identify specific training needs for this applicant (i.e. next steps)

Signed:                                                                           Name:

Role: