Elementary Identifying and Describing Problems Rubric

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Anticipating Problems	I think ahead and guess what problems might be coming in a project in time to prevent them.	Sometimes I can think ahead and guess what problems I might have in time to avoid them.	With help, I can tell what problems there might be.	I have a hard time knowing when there is going to be a problem.
Monitoring Processes	When things are not going well on a project, I pay attention to what's happening and figure out where the problem is. I am always looking at how things are going on a project and thinking of ways to make things go better.	When things aren't going well, I figure out what the problem is. I pay attention to how things are going so I can fix problems as they happen.	I need help to figure out what a problem is. I usually expect others to notice problems while I'm working and help me fix them.	I do not try to figure out what is going wrong. I do not notice problems while I am working unless someone points them out to me.
Choosing Solutions	I take a lot of time to think about a problem before I try to solve it. I think of as many solutions as I can before I choose one.	I think about a problem before I start solving it. I think of more than one solution before I choose one.	If someone reminds me, I think about a problem before I solve it. With help, I think of more than one solution.	I usually just start right in solving a problem without thinking about it. I usually try the first solution I think of.