# Writing SMART Goals

SMART goals help clarify ideas, focus efforts, use time and resources productively, and help you achieve success. Think of each of the letters as pieces of a recipe to help you write the perfect goal!

**SPECIFIC** What objective are you trying to accomplish?



#### MEASURABLE

How will you know you have reached your goal? Be realistic.



## ATTAINABLE

What steps do I need to take to reach this goal? What resources do I have to help me?



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## RELEVANT

Why is this goal important to you as an early childhood educator?



By what date do you want to reach your goal?

Turn the page to practice!

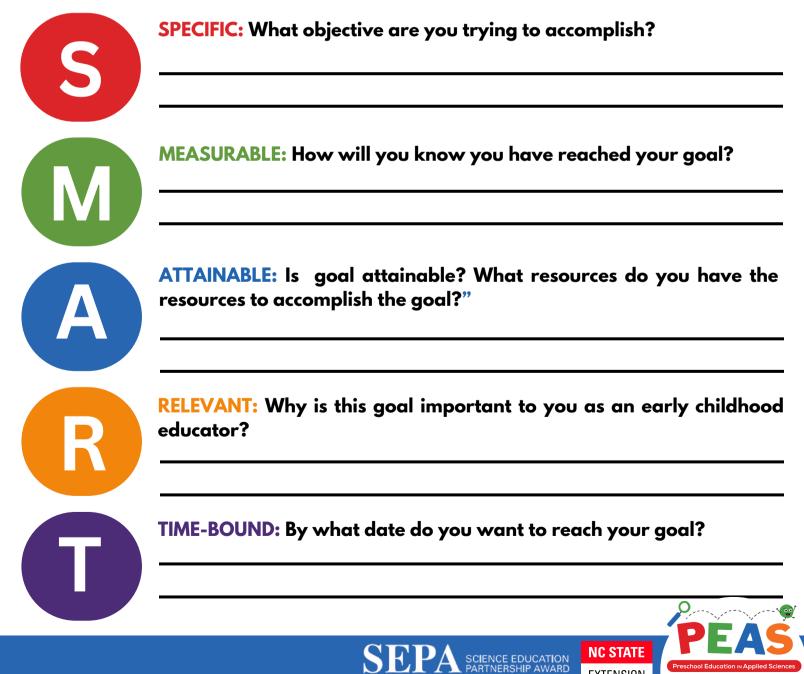
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#### **Example:**

Original Goal: "I want to get better at science during Module 3"

Transform to a SMART Goal: "I will get better at science by completing Module 3 "Seeds" (Specific) defined by being able to teach multi-day science activities using the best practices of Apply Science Talk (Measurable). To do this I will watch the videos on Moodle and review the resources provided by the PEAS Program (Attainable). This goal aligns with my role as a teacher to help better prepare children for kindergarten (Relevant) and I wioll complete this goal by the due date of March 1st (Time-bound)."

#### Now try writing your own!



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