Self-Assessment: Truth or Myth?

Instructions: Read each statement. Indicate in the "Before" column whether you think each statement is truth or myth. The answers will be revealed during the session. When you hear an answer, check the correct box in the "After" column. We'll revisit this handout at the end of the session to make sure we all have the correct answers.

Statement	Before	After
1. The Office of Head Start recommends programs use the aligned monitoring tools to conduct self-assessment.	❑ Truth ❑ Myth	❑ Truth ❑ Myth
2. Self-assessment involves gathering a lot of new data.	❑ Truth ❑ Myth	❑ Truth ❑ Myth
3. Self-assessment team members must have prior experience with data analysis.	❑ Truth ❑ Myth	❑ Truth ❑ Myth
4. A best practice in self-assessment is to conduct the process once a year.	❑ Truth ❑ Myth	❑ Truth ❑ Myth
5. The director controls the self-assessment process at every phase, from designing the process to reporting out.	❑ Truth ❑ Myth	❑ Truth ❑ Myth
6. Having team members from the community who bring an outside perspective and fresh eyes to the self-assessment is one of the key features of a comprehensive process.	❑ Truth ❑ Myth	❑ Truth ❑ Myth
7. The focus of self-assessment is solving problems and confirming compliance.	❑ Truth ❑ Myth	❑ Truth ❑ Myth
8. Training on data collection techniques (e.g., classroom observations, review of children's files) is strongly recommended for self-assessment team members.	❑ Truth ❑ Myth	❑ Truth ❑ Myth
9. If your self-assessment team is large, you may choose to form smaller subgroups to focus on a specific topic.	❑ Truth ❑ Myth	❑ Truth ❑ Myth
10. The self-assessment is used only to report to the Regional Office.	❑ Truth ❑ Myth	❑ Truth ❑ Myth