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Metacognition and Reading to Bridge Students Toward Inquiry


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Agenda

Four sections and three breaks
Overview of the four sections

◎ Reading Apprenticeship Framework; Reading and Information Literacy

◎ Information Seeker History

◎ Making thinking visible and moving beyond “competencies”

Information Literacy Continuum
Introductions

- Name
- Job or organization
- One or two words about reading or inquiry
Reading Apprenticeship

- WestEd, in Oakland for training and online courses
- Reading for Understanding and Leading for Literacy
Metacognition in information literacy

Library instruction to inquiry
1. Reading Apprenticeship Framework

Reading and Information Literacy
What is Reading Apprenticeship?

“A partnership of expertise between the teacher and students, drawing on what content area teachers know and do as skilled discipline-based readers and on learners’ unique and often underestimated strengths”
RA Framework

Is not a set of methods or techniques to be used in isolation, or quick fixes

A classroom paradigm, not limited to a specific subject (applies to all disciplines)

That classroom can be in the Library
THE READING APPRENTICESHIP® FRAMEWORK

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PERSONAL DIMENSION
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- Developing metacognition
  - Developing reader fluency and stamina
  - Developing reader confidence and range

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- Breaking it down
- Monitoring comprehension
- Using problem-solving strategies to assist and restore comprehension
- Setting reading purposes and adjusting reading processes

METACOGNITIVE DIMENSION

KNOWLEDGE-BUILDING DIMENSION
- Surfacing, building, and refining schema
- Building knowledge of content and the world
- Building knowledge of texts
- Building knowledge of language
- Building knowledge of disciplinary discourse and practices
What is the metacognitive conversation that surrounds the RA dimensions?

Metacognition is awareness of my own thinking --seeing my own thinking as I read. The Metacognitive Conversation could be interaction with self, the class, the instructor discussing...

- What am I doing?
- Where did I do it?
- How did it impact my understanding?
Activity: Metacognitive Log

Read the *Reading Apprenticeship Framework* handout.
Short freewrite in an Evidence/Interpretation Log
Metacognitive Prompts for RA Framework

While I was reading,
I had an insight...
I felt confused when....
I made a connection....
I started to think about....
I got stuck when....
I stopped because....
Group Report Out

Any confusions?

Ah-has?
Activity: Golden Lines & Metacognitive Log

Think-pair-share Mary Broussard’s chapter sample, “Reading and the Framework”
Prompt: Find two or three “golden lines” & surface confusion (think)

Which line spoke to you the most?
-

What was your connection, or interest?
-

How is the idea significant to you?
-

What was confusing?
Pair

Golden line?

Connection, interest, confusing, significant?
Share: Golden Lines

What was your connection or reaction to a “golden line”?
What was potentially confusing?
General discussion (synthesis)

◎ Where do you observe how students are reading?
◎ When do you see students working on comprehension?
◎ Librarian’s role for students’ reading?
BREAK
10 minutes
Next: Metacognitive strategies of expert readers and information seekers
Outsider/Insider: Information Seeker History

- Recognizing the precedents of one’s information seeker identity
- Beginning metacognitive awareness
Personal Information Seeker History

- Before, and outside of, academic work
- Purposeful searching v. general awareness
- Beyond “basic skill”

Student misperception: *if not easily found, it doesn’t exist.*
Personal Information Seeker History: PROMPTS

◎ What information seeking experience stands out for you? High points? Low points?
◎ Were there times when your information seeking experience or the information sources (including persons) made you feel like an outsider? An insider?
◎ What supported your information literacy development? What discouraged it?
Share with a partner

- Share your story with a partner
- Each partner listens to the other
Pairs discuss

- What were some similarities in the barriers and supports?
- What are some differences or surprises?
Share - whole group report out

- Learn about yourself? Your partner?
- What supported your development as an information seeker?
- Discouraged your development?
- Commonalities, or surprises?
Activity: Reflection Notetaker

Take a few minutes to reflect and write:

How might librarians use exploring personal information seeker histories?

What modifications would you make?
BREAK
10 minutes
3. **Next:**

Making thinking visible

*and*

Contrast “Competencies” to “Frames”
Think Aloud routine: making thinking visible

- We want students to notice and to say when they are confused
- Practice making your thinking visible, to model effective ways of reading in various disciplines
- Name the cognitive strategies you use to comprehend text and interpret result sets
- Notice text structures of various genres
Activity: Observe, and take notes

Listen to a *Think Aloud*: “Digital phenotype” by Sachine Jain
The digital phenotype

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In the coming years, patient phenotypes captured to enhance health and wellness will extend to human interactions with digital technology.

In 1982, the evolutionary biologist Richard Dawkins introduced the concept of the extended phenotype, the idea that phenotypes should not be limited just to biological processes, such as protein biosynthesis or tissue growth, but extended to include all effects that a gene has on its environment inside or outside of the body of the individual organism. Dawkins stressed that many delineations of phenotypes are arbitrary. Animals and humans can modify their environments, and these modifications and associated behaviors are expressions of their genome and, thus, part of their extended phenotype. In the animal kingdom, he cites an example: building beavers as an example of the beaver’s extended phenotype.

As personal technology becomes increasingly embedded in our lives, we think there is an important extension of Dawkins’s theory—the notion of a “digital phenotype.” Can aspects of our interface with technology be somehow diagnostic and/or prognostic for certain conditions? Can our clinical data be linked and analyzed together with online activity and behavior data to create a unified, nuanced view of human disease? Here, we describe the concept of the digital phenotype. Although several disparate studies have touched on this notion, the framework for how digital technologies will be integrated into the patient journey and play a role in precision medicine has yet to be described. We attempt to define digital phenotype and further describe the opportunities and challenges in incorporating these data into healthcare.

Defining the digital phenotype

The growth and evolution of digital products and their application to health supports this interpretation of the extended phenotype. Through social media, forums and online communities, wearable technologies and mobile devices, there is a growing body of health-related data that can shape our assessment of human illness. Such data have substantial value above and beyond the physical exam, laboratory values and clinical imaging data—our traditional approaches to characterizing a disease phenotype. When gathered and analyzed appropriately, these data have the potential to fundamentally alter our notion of the manifestations of disease by providing a more comprehensive and nuanced view of the experience of illness. Through the lens of the digital phenotype, an individual’s interaction with digital technologies affects the full spectrum of human disease from diagnosis, to treatment, to chronic disease management. Early examples of digital tracking include the use of cell phone activity to measure one’s activity levels and the association with depression by the Boston-based startup company Ginger.io. There are, of course, limitations to what can be measured and by whom when considered in the context of personal privacy.

Exploiting the digital phenotype

As a corollary to traditional forms of disease expression, digital phenotypes can expand our ability to identify and diagnose health conditions. Some of the earliest and most
Take notes on the article as you observe the Think Aloud

◎ What moves does the reader make?
◎ What strategies do they use for checking comprehension?
◎ What decisions does the reader make?
◎ Where does the reader get stuck?
◎ How do they get unstuck?
Whole group debrief:

- What did you observe the reader doing?
- What types of thinking or decisions did you observe the reader make?
- How did the moves the reader made help their understanding?
Activity: Partners do Think Alouds

Partner reads out loud for one minute:
Greene, Kate. “Waves of Electrons”
Pairs: Think Aloud

Partner A: Think aloud for 1 minute

- Make your thinking visible: What do you look at first? How do you find a main idea? Where do you get stuck? What do you do to persist?

Partner B: Record moves on text while you observe

Switch Roles
Pair Share

- What was your think-aloud experience like?
- What did you observe your partner or yourself doing?
- How does this routine make thinking visible?
Whole group debrief

- Examples of what you noticed about your partner’s thinking?
- Did you learn something you would not have done on your own?
- Examples of strategies used to make meaning, to comprehend?
Whole group debrief

In what other situations could you model a Think Aloud, or use the principle of making your thinking visible?
Activity: Observe, and take notes

Listen to an Information Literacy Think Aloud: 
*Database search result set*
Whole group debrief

What did the librarian notice as she scanned the results?
What “moves” did the librarian make?
What decisions?
What confusions, or questions did the librarian surface?
Metacognition and Inquiry: Not *linear*
IL Competency Standards (2000)

Implied a linear process for information searching and retrieval

1. Pick a topic (identify an information need)
2. Locate information
3. Evaluate information
4. Use information effectively
5. Use information ethically
Framework for Information Literacy for Higher Education

Six frames from theshold concepts:

- Authority is constructed and contextual
- Information Creation as a Process
- Information has Value
- Research as Inquiry
- Scholarship as Conversation
- Searching as Strategic Exploration
Deep dive into concepts about how information is created and can be used

- Not prescriptive, nor complete
- Each Frame works more like a lens through which to **discover** understandings
- Focus is on transferable understandings
- Complex view and “integrated abilities”
Activity: Compare I.L Standards to Frames.

Read the handout: *Comparison Example of Competency View to Frame View*
Pairs

- What differences do you see between the Standards and the Frames in these examples?
- In the Framework example (lower right-hand box) of the Knowledge Practice, and the Disposition, which words might imply metacognitive thinking? Or decision making?
Whole group debrief

Metacognitive thinking?
Decision making?

What are the fundamental shifts from the competencies to the frames?

How might the Reading Apprenticeship Framework help to model some of these shifts?
Key idea

The Framework emphasizes the process of inquiry, and asking questions throughout the process
BREAK
10 minutes
4.

Next:

Information Literacy Continuum
Oregon School Library Standards

Peruse the standards by clicking on a version below.

- Standards
- Standards with indicators
- Standards with indicators and alignments to CCSS, AASL, and ISTE

A PDF version of the standards can be found here or by clicking the Common Core State Standards and Library Programming tab above.
Oregon Library Standards and Learning Goals

Four Strands in the Standards:

- Information Literacy
- Reading
- Social Responsibility
- Technology Integration
Interdisciplinary practices align across frameworks and standards:

- Find
- Evaluate
- Self-select
- Use
- Collaborate
- Share
- Be safe and ethical
- Reflect
- Read and experience
A lot of Learning Goals

◎ Each Strand has three Standards
◎ Each Standard has three sets of multiple *Indicators* (90 Indicators, total)
  ○ Information Literacy . . . . . . 38 Indicators
  ○ Reading. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 24 Indicators
  ○ Social Responsibility. . . . . . . 9 Indicators
  ○ Technology Integration. . . . . 19 Indicators
◎ Each indicator now has one or more *Learning Goals* (across 14 grades equals ~1260 Learning Goals)
◎ 180 Learning Goals for Community College
Activity: Read Learning Goal sequence

Read the handout:
4th-14th Learning Goals

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Pairs

Discuss together
◎ What moves, or jumps, are made between each level?
◎ What scaffolds would be necessary to make the move?
◎ Where do you see reading playing a role?
Whole group debrief

- Observed about each grade level?
- What “dispositions” (affective domain, habits of mind) would students need to value new understandings?
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**SOCIAL DIMENSION**
- Pairs share ideas from notetakers
- Expect partners to assist each other; movement in room; talking

**PERSONAL DIMENSION**
- Brainstorm, write topics and aspects of them that resonate. Voice when stuck or when something doesn’t work

**COGNITIVE DIMENSION**
- Think-Aloud modeling of search results decisions

**METACOGNITIVE DIMENSION**
- Before searching: brainstorm concepts, ideas, words. Partners add ideas or words, especially for different perspectives. Concept map during Ref interview
- Partners add to each other’s background knowledge, or concepts lists. Note ‘new’ facts from encyclopedic source. Note specialist terms from scholar.google.com
Please fill out the evaluation form

http://bit.ly/acrl-or-eval
Thanks!

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