TECHNOLOGY IN THE SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSROOM

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Who Am I?

- Spanish 5, 6, 7, 8 at Foundations for the Future Charter Academy
- comprehensible input and TPRS® (Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling)
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What is a charter school?

- public school that functions semi-autonomously but with much less public funding
- its charter declares the school's special purpose and rules of operation
- cannot select its students, charge tuition fees, or have a religious affiliation
- reports directly to the province, bypassing their local district school board
- may not exceed their assigned quota of students without provincial permission
- teachers must be certificated
- curriculum must follow the approved provincial curriculum
- 13 charter schools in Alberta, with 23 campuses
How I Teach

- using a method called TPRS (Teaching Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling)
- based on teaching for fluency rather than accuracy
- students acquire the language rather than learn about it
- activity ideas all come from a community of teachers online that use this method
- goal of activities is to provide as much INPUT as possible rather than having students product OUTPUT
Planboard
Features of Planboard

- free to use
- print or save day’s plans or individual lessons as a PDF
- copy lessons from one section/class to another
- shift lessons forward or backward
- share lessons with colleagues
- share and re-use lessons and units from previous years
- ability to add standards or use existing ones
- graph of which standards have been taught by class
- link to files on Google Drive or OneDrive
- set one or more templates for lesson plans
Planboard

- Instructions on setting up:
  http://www.justanothertuesday.ca/teaching/websites/teachers-guide-online-lesson-planning-planboard/
MovieTalk

- developed by Dr. Ashley Hastings
- steady stream of visual input accompanied by a teacher’s comprehensible narration describing the action in a movie or asking questions about it
- use any type of video (i.e. movie, video clip, commercial, etc.); film shorts are ideal!
- volume way down or off
- pause frequently to describe what is happening, circle important structures and check for comprehension
- more vocabulary is ‘in bounds’ because you can point to pictures
MovieTalk

- “the brain craves novelty”
- learners are 65% visual and can process up to 36,000 visual messages per hour
- faster than auditory processing for most students
- no teacher can draw as fast as a movie
- two words per minute of dialogue in a movie refers directly to what is on screen, but at least eighteen words per minute when teacher narrates
MovieTalk Demo

- Wildebeest -
  https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JMJXvsCLu6s
Señor Wooly

http://www.senorwooly.com
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- paid account required
- educational music videos in Spanish
- supplementary worksheets, puzzles and readings to go with songs
- individual student accounts
- assign activities (nuggets) to classes
- assign stories to specific classes
- view class progress on activities (nuggets)
Textivate

Sequence - https://www.textivate.com/menu-1xbkn1#

Story - https://www.textivate.com/wp9kn1#
Features of Textivate

- free to try; paid teacher account
- use any text to create activities automatically
- save and search for resources
- use public resources already created
- text-based and vocabulary-based activities
- text read-aloud to students
- create a personalized dictionary for students by providing translations of specific focus words
- students can compete against others or do some activities in pairs
Quizlet and Quizlet Live

https://quizlet.com/_4hjr4o
Features of Quizlet

- free or paid teacher account with additional features
- free student accounts
- create or use pre-made study sets
- use text and/or images for answer
- use vocabulary translations, fill-in-the blank sentences, or comprehension questions
- flashcards with pronunciation
- printable tests
- other activities and games
Features of Quizlet Live

- Automatically creates teams with Spanish/French/German animal team names
- Shuffle teams each round or keep them the same
- Leaderboard on screen tracks who is winning
- Students have to work together to figure out who has the correct answer showing
Features of Kahoot

- free teacher account; no student account necessary
- create your own or use pre-made questions
- leaderboard on screen tracks who is winning
- download individual results for each question
- multiple correct answers possible
- use images or videos in the questions
- custom time limit on each question
- ability to award points or not for each question
https://quizizz.com/admin/quiz/59cc14ee1b37f411004f4950
Features of Quizizz

- integrates with Remind, Edmodo and Google Classroom
- create your own or use pre-made questions
- play live or assign for homework
- include images (optional)
- print quizzes with answer key
- use custom memes after each answer or turn off
- view and download detailed report of students’ answers with an accuracy percentage
Websites

- Planboard – www.planboard.com
- Señor Wooly - www.senorwooly.com
- Textivate – www.textivate.com
- Quizlet - www.quizlet.com
- Kahoot - www.getkahoot.com
- Quizizz – www.quizizz.com