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Book: pp. 137-140

ThinkDots

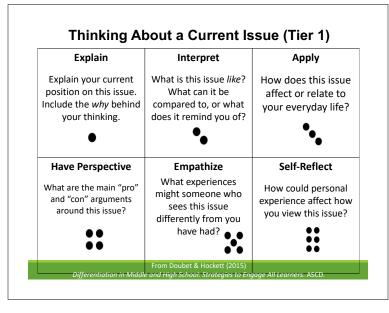
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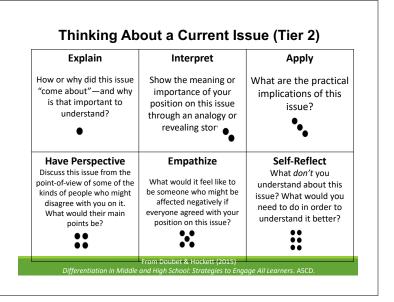
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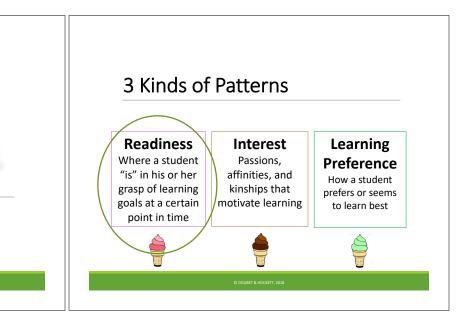
### Language Arts: Word Choice

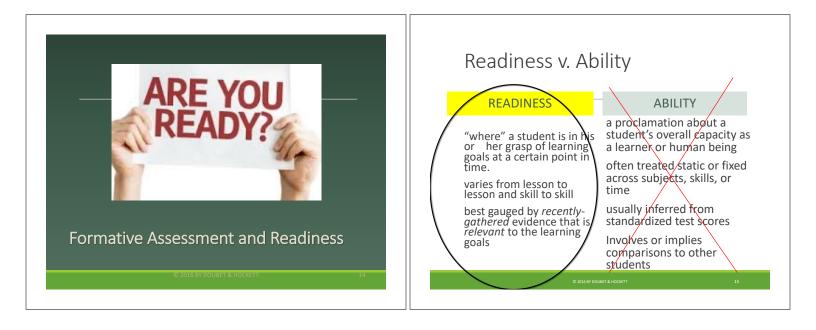
**Directions:** Each side of your die represents an overused word that needs to be spiced up. After you have rolled your word, use the dictionary and thesaurus (hard copy or electronic) to locate more descriptive synonyms. After you've recorded your ideas, rank the synonyms in order from what you believe is least to greatest amount of "spice."

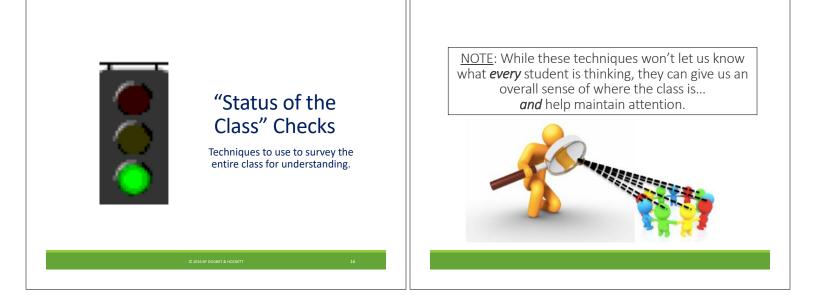
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## End of Lesson/Assessment Routine

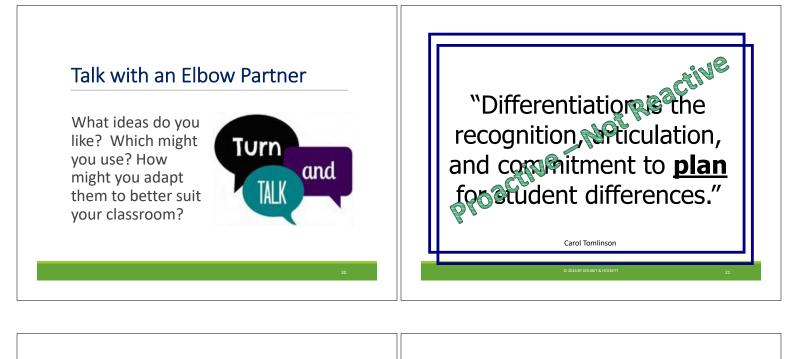


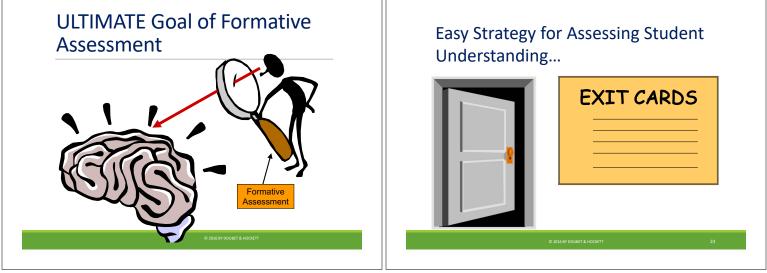
https://www.teachingc hannel.org/videos/dail y-lesson-assessment

# Another Option



Pose one question or prompt and ask students to place their answers according to how certain they are of their response.







# **Formative Assessment**

Examine the Exit Card and Frayer Diagram examples on **pages 165-172** of the book.

Use the sticky notes on your table to identify

- 3-4 examples you could use as is
- 2-3 examples you could *adapt* and use in your school

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Be ready to share your selections with a colleague

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## **Share and Compare**

- Meet with your content group
- Each partner shares their "Top 2" examples and how you'd use them.
- Be ready to share one of those finds with the full group



## Assess, Then What?

We'll examine examples that show teachers formatively assessing and then "doing something" with the results.

The examples differ in "prep time" required from the teacher.



## Classroom 1: My Favorite "No"

What does this teacher do to check for individual understanding?

Does her approach yield usable results?

What techniques will you "borrow"? What techniques do you question?



nttps://www.teachingchann el.org/videos/class-warmup-routine



## My Favorite "No!"

- "No!" NO!
- Teacher poses an opening question (OR an exit question from the previous day OR student responses posted to a discussion
- board the night before, etc. )Teacher chooses a common and critical error in student work to highlight
- Teacher rewrites the response/error (in her own handwriting) at the beginning of class and explains to students that it's her "Favorite No" because 1) it highlights a key learning point that many students confuse, and 2) it features some "good math" along with the mistake
- The teacher leads the class in discussion of what's been done correctly in the problem, and then moves to an error analysis
- All students complete a similar problem to show that they can avoid the mistake, or "favorite no," in their future work.

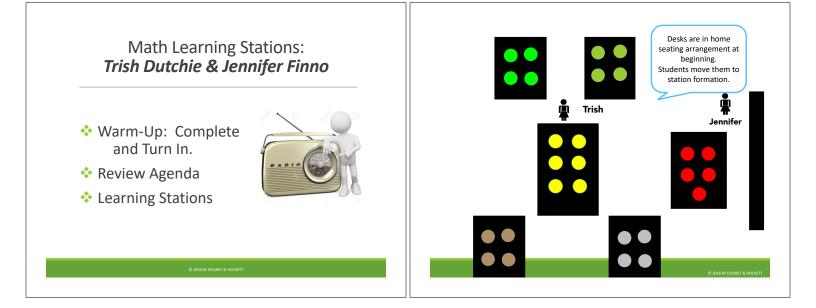
# Talk with an Elbow Partner

What ideas do you like? Which might you use? How might you adapt them to better suit your classroom?

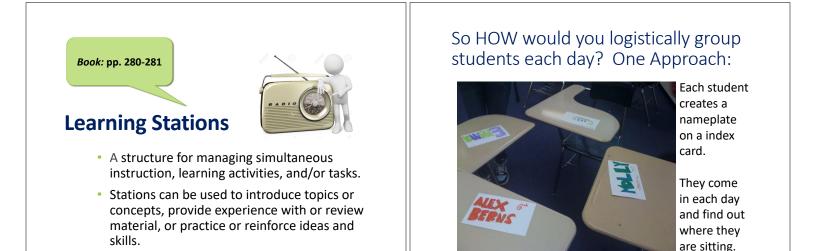








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groups of desks to enable the teacher to group her HS

She often hands them the correct color popsicle stick when they enter to send them to their groups.

They record answers on the corresponding colored

She can also call on groups randomly using the colored popsicle sticksl

Index Cards with color-coded names -Taped or in Clear Photo Frames

From the classroom of Jack Stephenson, Evanston Township High School (IL)



**Flexible** Grouping made manageable at Mamaroneck **High School in New York** 

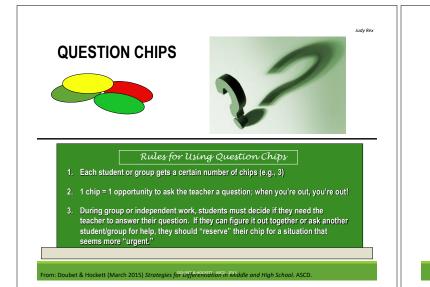
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## How do I get my Groups to Produce Quality Work? Work Detailed task cards/recordings/screens Something PRODUCED in group □Interdependence/accountability □Self-Check rubrics/grading criteria Between group peer checking Something to move to when we're finished (so there's not incentive to rush)

System for asking for and receiving help

# Getting Help During Group







Green = We're good to go!

Yellow = We need you over here, but we can continue working!

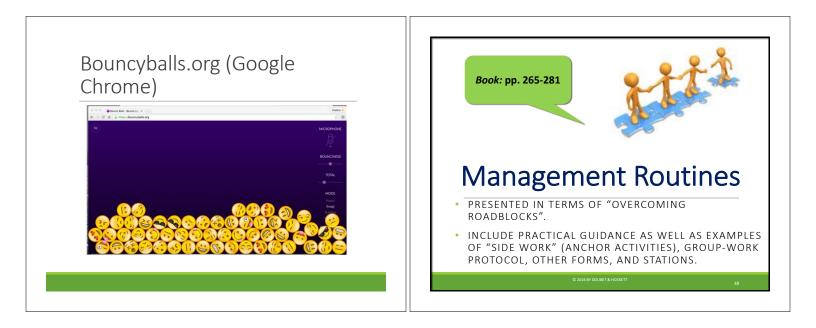
Red = S.O.S. We need you here right now, and we've stopped working!

#### COLORED CUPS FOR MANAGING GROUPS

You can post a sign like this in the room to teach students how to use the system Place cups on desks prior to the start of the period to "signal" students that they will be doing group work

Upside down during task

Right-side up when finished



# For Further Investigation

In your handout you will find the websites/QR codes for three different sites focusing on 3 different areas of management most middle school teachers cite as problematic. At your leisure you can study any and all of these three sites. At each one you will find video clips, blog posts, additional materials, etc. Feel free to share these with your faculties when you return to your home schools



## Group Work Guru http://padlet.com/doubetkj/groupwork

 Follow the instructions on the screen. You will read, watch, and examine materials... and then report your findings to those who competed different Padlets.



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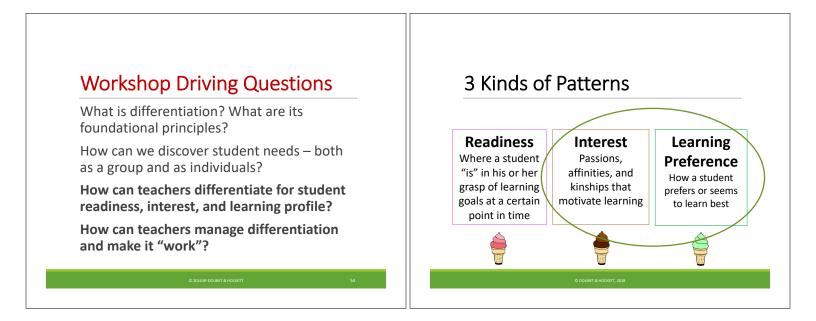


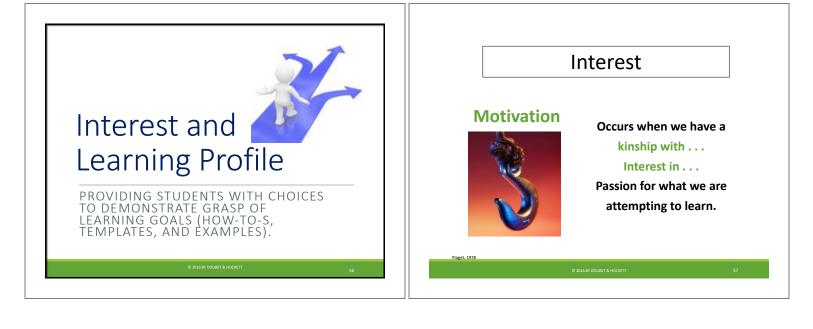
Peer Relationships/Getting Along in Groups

http://padlet.com/doubetkj/community

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# **Interest Inquiry Groups**

Interest Groups

- Students choose from the following ad options:
  - Sports Drinks
  - Hair Products
  - Game Systems
  - Phones
- In pairs or groups of 3 with others who chose same option, students analyze the ads for techniques used, strengths and weaknesses, and recommendations for improvement.

#### Adjusting Algebra Problems to Appeal to Student Interest

Interest	Problem Text				
	A sample of ten middle school students was asked to count the number of writing utensils that				
Traditional	they own. Their responses are represented in the following set of numbers:				
	5, 4, 2, 10, 6, 14, 8, 5, 1, 8 • What is average of the set numbers? • What is the median of the set of numbers?				
	<ul> <li>Create a "five-number summary" of the data and display it in boxplot format</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>What patterns do you see in the data?</li> </ul>				
Video	A sample of ten middle school students that play video games was asked how many hours the				
Games	spend playing each week. Their responses are represented in the following set of numbers:				
	5, 4, 2, 10, 6, 14, 8, 5, 1, 8				
	[same questions as traditional problem]				
Social	A sample of ten middle school students that use Facebook was asked how many status update				
Media	they post each week. Their responses are represented in the following set of numbers:				
	5. 4. 2. 10. 6. 14. 8. 5. 1. 8				
	[same questions as traditional problem]				
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Sports	The girl's basketball coach was frustrated with the amount of players fouling out. For the next fi games, the coach kept a record of every time a player committed a foul. The numbers below represent each player's total amount of fouls over a five-game period.				
	5, 4, 2, 10, 6, 14, 8, 5, 1, 8				
	[same questions as traditional problem]				

## Some Choices take More Time to Prepare



## **Jigsaw**

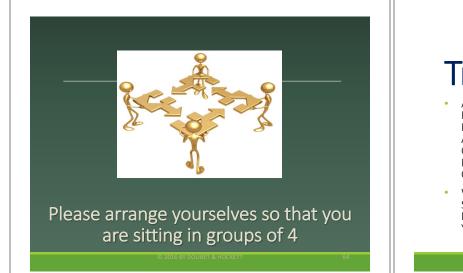
A cooperative learning strategy in which all students become experts on a small piece of a topic and then teach each other

#### **IN HOME/TABLE GROUPS:**

Your table mates and you will "divide and conquer," so that each of the following FOUR strategies/stations is "covered."



Book: pp. 216-222



# Tri-Mind

- A STRATEGY FOR DESIGNING INSTRUCTIONAL TASKS AND ASSESSMENTS THAT CONTAIN ANALYTICAL, PRACTICAL, AND CREATIVE ÉLEMENTS
- WE'LL EXPLORE THIS STRATEGY IN MORE DETAIL LATER ON IN THE YFAR

## Tri-Mind: What is Differentiation?

Objective: Understand that teachers have varied definitions of differentiation that are shaped by their experiences.

#### **Analytical Thinking**

- Analyze these definitions and pictures to decide which one best explains what differentiation is.
- Write a defense that your choice is the best explanation.
- Use reasons and evidence from your own experience.

#### **Practical Thinking**

Pick the definition or picture that makes the most sense to you. • Then, rephrase it as practical advice you would give to a new explains why you think teacher who has asked you how to differentiate his or her classroom.

You can write in prose or create a bulleted list of instructions.

#### **Creative Thinking**

Using these definitions and pictures as inspiration, create a new analogy or metaphor for differentiation. You can begin your new comparison with the phrase, "Differentiation is like...".

This comparison can be written or visual.

## Tri-Mind: The Power of an Argument

Objective: Students will understand that the power of an argument stems from the author's choices regarding reasoning, evidence, and language.

#### **Analytical Task**

As a reader who is interested in the topic the author has addressed, evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of his argument by composing an extended online comment that the author and other readers will see.

- Write in the third person, and address whether the author's key claims are warranted, the reasons valid, the evidence relevant and sufficient, and the use of language effective.
- Use specific examples in your post.

#### **Practical Task**

You are the editor of the [media outlet/publisher] to which the author has submitted this piece for publication. Decide whether you will accept the .

piece and what revisions the author needs to make. Write an e-mail response to the author that indicates your acceptance or rejection and

provides feedback on the argument's strengths and weaknesses in terms of whether the author's key claims are warranted, the reasons valid, the

evidence relevant and sufficient, and the use of language effective.

#### **Creative Task**

Imagine you are a witness to two people on opposite sides of this issue discussing the author's argument

#### Capture their debate through a dialogue or other means depiction

- Use the voices of the two debaters to address the strengths and weaknesses of the author's key claims.
- Between the two parties, the discussion should address whether the author's key claims are warranted, the reasons valid, the evidence relevant and sufficient, and the use of language effective.



#### Plan/write and record a lively, engaging 5-Write and dramatize a scene between to 7-minute podcast segment that informs an and audience of your peers about the different discussing their two different perspectives. perspectives of and Make sure your scene clearly shows what \_. As partners, you can be a host each person believes why. You'll perform and a guest, or two guests. Either way, your scene for a peer audience who will make the "what" and "why" of each guess who is who (or who has which perspective clear. perspective. Simple costumes and props optional. Lvricists/Poets (Musical-Rhythmic) Designers (Visual-Spatial) Show the differences in the perspectives of Write either 1 or 2 songs or poems that show the differences between the perspectives of and as two "design plans." Your plans could represent and Include what each claimed or believed, and their thinking as two houses, two machines, why, and be ready to perform/deliver your two pieces of furniture, or something else. work to an audience of peers. Write a clear explanation of your designs that you will present to an audience of peers



STUDENTS CHOICE, APPEALS TO THEIR INTERESTS AND LEARNING PROFILES, AND CAN BE ADAPTED TO STUDENT READINESS LEVELS

### Media/Research

Key idea: Different search engines produce different results due to the way in which they classify, sort, and prioritize information. (C. Strickland)

ROLE	AUDIENCE	FORMAT	TOPIC
President of one search engine company of your choice	President of another search engine company of your choice	Email conversation	What our search engine does that yours can't
Travel agent	A family (yours?)	Comparison Chart	The best search engines for planning a family vacation
You	High schoolers	Presentation (e.g., PowerPoint, Keynote, Prezi)	Beyond Google: 5 search engines that will help you with that research paper
New search engine of your choice	Frustrated web users	Web page	Still haven't found what you're looking for? Try me!

#### **Tom Sawyer's RAFT**

ROLE	AUDIENCE	FORMAT	TOPIC	
Sid	Aunt Polly	Affidavit	Why Tom should get a lickin'	
Huck	Self	Poem or Song	Who am I without my friend, Tom?	
Aunt Polly	Widow Douglas	Dialogue	Nobody knows the troubles I've seen (because of Tom)!	
Becky	Tom	Letter	How I really feel about you	
Injun Joe	Self	Drawing of Dream	Why I'm going to get even with Tom Sawyer and HOW I'll do it!	
Muff Potter	Townspeople	Speech	Why I thank goodness for Tom Sawyer	

•This Raft is also differentiated according to readiness; top 3 formats are more difficult

<u>Post RAFT Assignment</u> –
 Meet in "Mixed Character" Groups and share RAFT responses
 Compose an essay on the following topic: "Taking multiple perspectives into account, is Tom a hero?



# Your Strategy Choices

- TriMind: Based on the work of Robert Sternberg, this strategy provides students with 3 assignment options aligned to creative, analytical, & practical thinking and asks them to use those intelligences to wrestle with the same learning goals (p.216-222)
- The Profiler: Based on the work of Howard Gardner, this strategy provides students with a reasonable number of choices (e.g., 4) aligned to the same learning goals and associated with potential careers that would reflect Gardner's intelligences (p.223-231)
- *RAFTs:* Students assume a Role, address a certain Audience while writing in a specific Format on a targeted Topic (p.232-252)
- Learning Menus: Students are assigned Main Dishes, and choose from a selection of Appetizers, Side Dishes and Desserts (p.253-262)

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## Jigsaw

#### **IN HOME/TABLE GROUPS:**

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- TriMind (p.216-222)
- The Profiler (p.223-231)
- RAFT (p.232-252)
- Learning Menus (p.253-262)



## In Expert Groups

Expert

Examine your strategy. Read the explanatory materials and study the examples. Together discuss the following:

- What it is?
- How is it best used? What are its benefits?
- $^\circ$  What might I need to be cautious of or consider before I used this strategy?
- What examples from the packet seem most helpful/usable?
   What ideas do I have for using this strategy in my classroom?

Record this information on your Graphic Organizer

Alone or with other people in your group, design and original application of that strategy that you would use in your classroom.

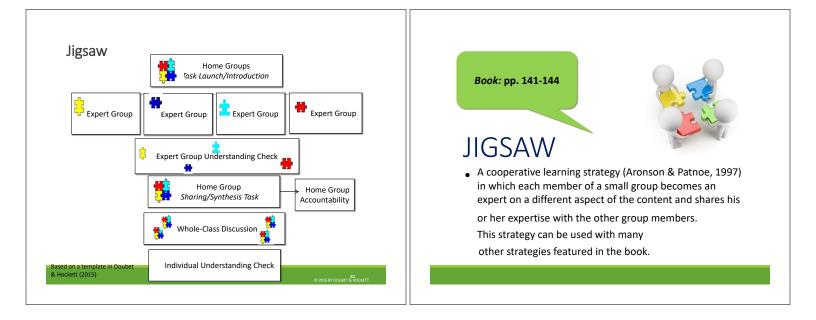
Back in Home/Table Groups



- Take turns sharing what you learned about your strategy (use prompts on Graphic organizer)
- Share guidelines and clarifying examples.
- Group mates take notes in their graphic organizers as you share.
- If you came up with an original example, share that and get some feedback on strengths and suggestions
- As a group, decide which strategy is best used in different ways, with different content areas, or in different parts of your curriculum/year

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## Bottom Line: Student Interests Matter

...Student interests are anything but tangential to learning. They are conduits to motivation, relevance, and understanding. They even affect whether a struggling student will remain in school or become one of the increasing number or dopouts.

~Sousa and Tomlinson in Differntiation and the Brain

# What's Your Plan?

- •3 Formative Assessments I'll use:
- •2 Responses to FA I'll incorporate
- •1 Interest or LP Strategy I'll try:



