

CHATS Unit-Planning Mat

Content Reading Strategies

What Teacher-Mediated Comprehension strategies will you use to support content reading?

Will students self-assess and set goals for their own learning while the unit is taught?

If so, what prompts or tools will you use to help them do this?

Teacher Mediated Comprehension:

Found Poem
Content-Based I am Poems
The GRP (Manzo & Manzo, 1990)
Responding to Headings
Written Conversations
(Daniels & Zemelman, 2004)
Historical Role Plays
Presentation Grids
List-Group-Label (Taba, 1967)
Timelines
Causal Charts
The Relevance Wheel
Informational Book Table
Quotable Quips
(Edmunds & Bauserman, 2006)

Others...

Student Mediated Comprehension:

Teaching Self Efficacy
Self Assessments:
Learning Log Prompts
Content Reading Strat. Log
New Vocabulary Logs

Teacher-mediated Comprehension Strategies:

Student-Mediated Comprehension:

Higher-Order Thinking

What are the Big Ideas in your unit?

What Questions, aimed at Higher-Order Thinking, will drive your unit?

How will the students be asked to make connections from the unit's content to the world around them?

What will you do to ensure that *all* students get an opportunity to reflect on, respond to, and share responses to your question(s)?

How will you "Ripple" your questions?

Big Ideas:

Questions aimed at Higher-Order Thinking:

Assessment

For which students will you assess linguistic growth during your lessons?

Which of your students will need additional scaffolds?

What additional support might be available from university volunteers who have already obtained clearances for those students who might benefit from one-on-one attention?

Notes:

Total Participation Techniques

What TPT's will you use to ensure that *all* are engaged and learning?

Do the TPT's allow for a deeper understanding of concepts, interaction, and peer modeling of language and higher-order thinking?

Possible Activities:

Pair share
Quick-write
Quick-draw
Three 3's in a Row
Hold-ups
Networking Sessions
Four Corners
The Likert Scale
Explain it to your Neighbor
Transparency Sheets
Others:

TPT's:

Scaffolding

What Scaffolds will be set in place to ensure comprehension and student success?

What visuals, technology, graphic organizers and/or other tools will be used in order to scaffold interest, engagement and understanding?

How will you engage emotions?

Scaffolding Tools:

Use of graphic organizers
Use of related stories found on the Internet
Picture Walks
Pictorial Input (Brechtel, 2001)
Inducing Mental Imagery
Theatre of the Mind
Use of Student and Text Generated Images
Scaffolding Understanding through the L1
Others:

Scaffolds:

*Himmele & Himmele, The Language-Rich Classroom: A research-based framework for teaching English language learners, ASCD, 2009
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