

Coffee Chat

with the Diverse Learners Cooperative

Increasing Opportunities for EL Writing Online

- Friday, September 25th
- 8:30 8:45am CST

Diverse Learners COOPERATIVE



The Diverse Learners Cooperative connects teachers and leaders with professional **learning**, **resources**, and **networks** to <u>improve outcomes</u> for diverse learners + <u>increase teacher and leader retention</u>

Today's Mission

To find ways to increase opportunities for students to produce writing during virtual learning.

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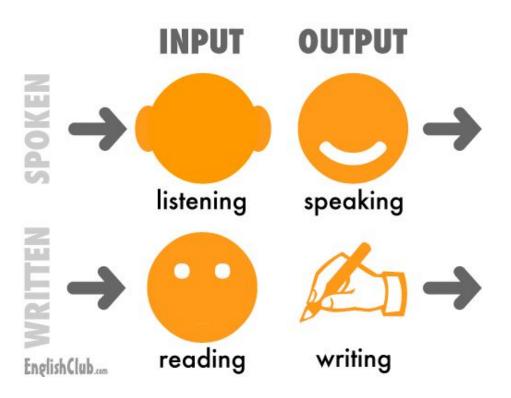
- 1. The Why
- 2. High-Leverage **Opportunities**
- 3. Resources



What's the Issue?

Students and teachers are spending their days in virtual classrooms. A high percentage of that time is spent **receiving** language instead of **producing** it.

With reduced time practicing their production of language, multilingual students are on track to fall behind the progress they could be making if they were physically present in school.







We envision a virtual learning environment in which *all* students actively engage, with opportunities to authentically produce language that supports their developing English skills.



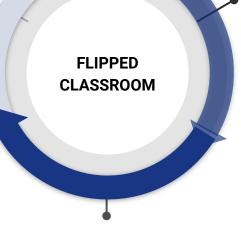
High-Leverage Opportunities to Create



Flip the Classroom

After Class: Synchronous + Asynchronous

Teacher reviews student work and reflects on feedback, conferring with students individually and in small groups to re-teach as needed. Students review the material during their asynchronous lessons.



Before Class: Asynchronous

Students asynchronously view video lessons and complete interactive supports to learn to core content.

Synchronous: Focus on SPEAKING and WRITING

Asynchronous: Focus on LISTENING and READING

During Class: Synchronous

Teacher reviews material from the lesson, checks for understanding through speaking and writing activities while watching students practice and giving in-the-moment feedback.



Create Specific Language Objectives

- A <u>content objective</u> tells **what** a student will learn.
- A <u>language objective</u> tells **how** a student will use language to demonstrate their learning.

Content Objective:



The students will find the lowest common multiple of 2 or more numbers.

Language Objective

The students will write the steps to solve the problem using procedural words (first, next, last).



Vary Your Supports

The goal of language supports is **not** to make the work easier, or less complex for students.

Instead, **the goal is to move students towards mastery** of academic content by **removing barriers** that keep them from accessing the content.

- Sentence Stems and Frames, dropped into the chat box
- Verbally process, muted and unmuted
- Thinking Maps, drawn in <u>widgets</u>
- Weekly modeling of writing expectations
- <u>Exemplar</u> texts
- Vary support based on <u>ACCESS levels</u>

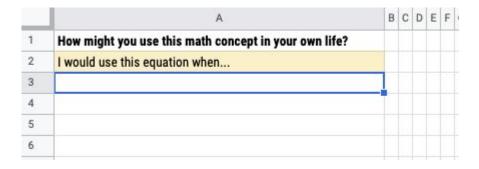


Interactive White Board

Use an interactive white board, which can just be a simple spreadsheet or document, to gather student responses.

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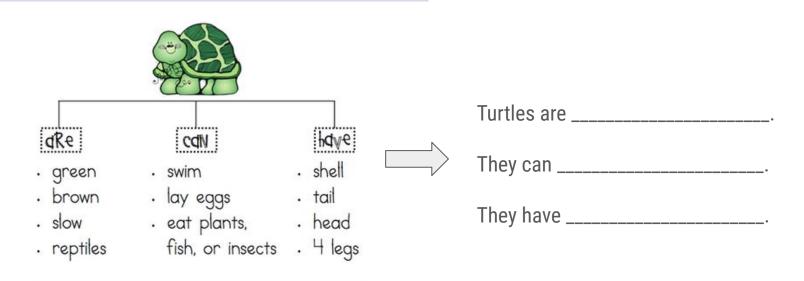
- Allow students to respond semi-anonymously
- Address common misunderstandings
- Provide sentence stems for students who might require one
- Call on students to respond based on their typed answers
- Suggest ideas without students realizing it comes directly from the teacher
- Foster discussion based on written responses





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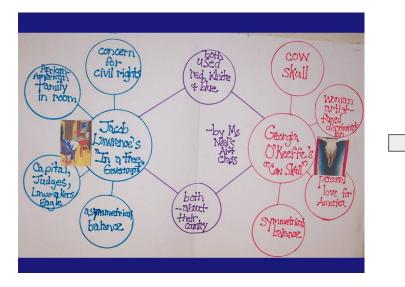




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After viewing two pieces of art, _____ and ____, you can see many similarities and differences. They are different in these ways. You can see that _____'s painting _____ shows _____. You can see that _____'s painting _____ shows _____. However, they are similar because _____ and ____.



Give Feedback

Know the students' ACCESS levels so you can provide feedback to students as quickly as possible.

Level	Discourse Level	Sentence Level	Word/Phrase Level Vocabulary Usage	
	Linguistic Complexity	Language Forms		
6 Reaching		 appropriate to purpose, situation, an nts meeting college- and career-rei a full range of sentence patterns and grammatical structures matched to content area topics consistent use of appropriate conventions to convey meaning, including for effect 		
5 Bridging	Text is comprehensible and relate proficient peers; and includes: • extended connected text (single or multiple paragraphs) that is organized and shows a cohesive and coherent expression of ideas • clear evidence of conveying an appropriate perspective, register, and genre	 d to purpose; generally comparable a broad range of sentence patterns and grammatical structures matched to the content area topic nearly consistent use of appropriate conventions to convey meaning, including for effect 	 to the writing of English usage of technical and abstract content-area words and expressions as appropriate usage of words and expressions with precise meaning related to content area topics as appropriate vocabulary usage that fulfill the writing purpose 	
4 Expanding	Text is generally comprehensible proficient peers; and includes: • connected text (sentences or paragraphs) that shows an organized expression of ideas with emerging cohesion • some evidence of conveying an appropriate perspective, register, and genre	at all times; approaches comparabili a range of sentence patterns and gramatical structures characteristic of the content area generally consistent use of appropriate conventions to convey meaning	 to the writing of English usage of specific and some technical content-area words and expressions as appropriate usage of words and expressions with multiple meanings or common collocations and idloms across content areas as appropriate vocabulary usage that generally fuffilis the writing purpose 	

WIDA Writing Rubric

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Level	Discourse Level	Sentence Level	Word/Phrase Level Vocabulary Usage	
	Linguistic Complexity	Language Forms		
3 eveloping	Original text is generally compret compromised in more complex o • text that shows developing organization in the expression of an expanded idea or multiple related ideas • evidence of a developing	ensible (though comprehensibility n riginal text) and includes: a developing range of sentence patterns and grammatical structures common to content areas developing use of conventions to convey 	 usage of some specific content words and expressions as appropriate usage of common cognates words, or expressions related to content areas as 	
	sense of perspective, register, and genre	meaning	 vocabulary usage that attempts to fulfill the writing purpose 	
2 merging		ed from model or source text is gen ompromised in attempts at more co • repetitive sentence and phrasal patterns and formulaic grammatical structures used in social and instructional situations or across content areas • variable use of conventions		
1 intering		 m model or source text is generally antly compromised in original text) a words, chunks of language, or simple phrasal patterns associated with common social and instructional situations possible use of some 		





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Effective Feedback





Prompting Guide

TEACH		PROMPT		REINFORCE	
→	"This is one way to say it."	→	Talk more about that.	→	What an interesting way to
→	You can think about how you want to say it.	→	Can you say more about this subject?		say that!
				→	This reminds me of
→	lf you can say it, you can write it.	→	How would that be said in the book? How would the	→	That sounds exciting/interesting/
→	Discuss your ideas.		author phrase that?		detailed.
→	Talk about what you want to write.	→	What do you think about this idea?	→	You really organized your thinking on the page.
→	You can say it slowly and listen for all the words you want to write.	→	How do you know this is the case? Share evidence in writing.	→	You used a variety of strong words!
→	This is a phrase. Add a (subject/verb/other) to make it a sentence.	→	How would the character say that? How would they feel?		
		→	What is the problem here? What is a solution?		
		→	What is another word for this word?	Cr	eated by the DLC

RESOURCES

Flipped Classrooms

Flipping Your Virtual Classroom

Content + Language Objectives

Thinking Maps

Sentence Stems and Frames

WIDA Writing Rubric

Writing Prompting Guide



Examples of comprehension and writing supports from LEAD Southeast Middle

> **DLC Flipped PD -- EL Writing** Strategies coming soon!

All Courses Speaking Strategies For Multilingual Learners 22 Lessons \$85.00

All Courses, Self-Directed Learning Opportunities English Learner Teacher Jumpstart

43 Lessons

\$150.00







Thank you!

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Join us <u>here</u> next time for:

Systematic Reading Intervention

- Oct 2, 2020
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Let's hear from you.

