

Ms. Pierre Summarizes MARZANO'S

TEN STRATEGIES



Identifying Similarities and Differences

This strategy focuses on the mental processes that students can use to restructure and understand information. Classroom activities that ask students to identify similarities and differences include comparison tasks, classifying tasks, and the use of metaphors and analogies. These strategies result in understanding content at a deeper level.

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Reinforcing Effort and Providing Recognition

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Homework and Practice

- ✦ Homework and practice both provide opportunities for students practice, review, and apply knowledge. It also enhances a student's ability to reach a level of expected proficiency for a skill or concept. Research referenced in Marzano, Pickering, and Pollock's book indicated students need to practice a skill 24 times to reach 80% competency, with the first four practices yielding the greatest effect.

Nonlinguistic Representations

- ✦ This strategy can enhance a student's ability to represent and elaborate on knowledge using mental images. When students elaborate on knowledge, they are able to understand it in greater depth and be more successful at recalling it. Nonlinguistic representations can include graphic representations, mental pictures, physical models, drawings, and kinesthetic activities. New knowledge is usually presented in a linguistic form. When students are also able to use imagery, the effects on achievement can be significant.

Cooperative Learning

- ✦ When students are provided with opportunities to interact with each other in a variety of ways their learning is enhanced. These activities support the ideas that there should be a variety of criteria to group students; that there should be formal, informal and base groups and that the size of learning groups should be continually monitored.

Setting Objectives and Providing Feedback

- ✦ Setting objectives establishes a direction for learning. Once students understand the parameters of an objective, they should brainstorm to determine what they know and what they want to learn. Specific, timely, and regular feedback to students enhances their learning. Also, feedback should include an explanation of why an item is correct or incorrect and be criterion referenced. In other words, students should understand where they stand relative to a specific target of knowledge or skill.

Generating and Testing Hypotheses

The strategy of generating and testing hypotheses includes several processes including systems analysis, invention, experimental inquiry, decision making, and problem solving. Students should be asked "what if?" as they plan and conduct simple investigations (e.g., formulate a testable question, make systematic observations, and develop logical conclusions).

Cues, Questions, and Advanced Organizers

- ✦ Giving students a preview of what they are about to learn or experience helps them activate prior knowledge. This strategy gives students the opportunity to connect what they already know to what they need to know. Questions should focus on what is central and most important. Advance organizers are most useful for information that is not easily presented in a well-organized manner. For example, creating an advance organizer for a field trip can provide students with information about what they are about to see and do.

MARZANO'S TEN

- ✿ I.S.D. = ID SIM & DIFF = Identifying Similarities and Differences
- ✿ N.R. = NO WORD SYMBOLS = Nonlinguistic Representations
- ✿ S& N.T. = SUM & NOTES Summarizing and Note Taking
- ✿ S.O. & P.F. = SET OB& FEEDBACK = Setting Objectives and Providing Feedback
- ✿ R.E. & P.R. = RECOGNIZE AND REPEAT = Reinforcing Effort and Providing Recognition
- ✿ G & T.H. = TRY & TEST GUESS = Generating and Testing Hypotheses
- ✿ H & P = HOMEWORK = Homework and Practice
- ✿ C.Q. & A.O. = CLUES/PROBLEMS/WONDERINGS CHARTS = Cues, Questions, and Advanced Organizers
- ✿ C & L = GROUP WORK = Cooperative Learning

SUMMARIZE

- ✿ *STUDENTS SHOULD USE:*
- ✿ *VENN DIAGRAMS, FOLDABLES, USE SYMBOLISM/PICTURES*
- ✿ *SET GOALS & GIVE FEEDBACK& PRACTICE/HW*
- ✿ *ENCOURAGE WORK AND SUCCESSES*
- ✿ *ASK QUESTIONS/CLUES/GRAPHIC ORGANIZERS*
- ✿ *GIVE OPPORTUNITIES TO WORK TOGETHER TO TRY IDEAS OUT*

WEB SOURCES

- ✿ <http://www.marzanoresearch.com/site>
- ✿ <http://www.prweb.com/releases/2009/03/prweb2212704.htm>
- ✿ http://www.tltguide.ccsd.k12.co.us/instructional_tools/Strategies/Strategies.html
- ✿ <http://detroitk12.org/>