

Chapter 1 : Student Successes With Thinking Maps (R) : David N. Hyerle :

Student Successes With Thinking Maps(R): School-Based Research, Results, and Models for Achievement Using Visual Tools / Edition 1 Qualitative and quantitative test results from researchers, curriculum authors, teachers, and administrators demonstrate why Thinking Maps Â® have increased student performance and teacher effectiveness.

Smith and her students is within reach of any school, replicable, and may refine and even reframe reading and writing instruction, and even offer a new direction for cognitive science research. This teacher had brought students to such a high level of fluency with thinking maps that they could begin to identify text patterns on their own. They were able to use fundamental thinking skills vocabulary describing, compare, causes, etc. They were then able to return to their seats with blank sheets of paper and, with varying results, choose a thinking map and expand their thinking. They later went on to write about the story using the maps they had chosen to organize their ideas. This sample of classroom activity is a practical and symbolic representation of a new form of literacy and a transformation of how we perceive the interrelationships between thinking patterns and the fundamentals of reading comprehension. In addition, the No Child Left Behind legislation requires that each state test content knowledge and how well students perform. Maryland meets this requirement by using the new Maryland School Assessments. Again this year, Mt. Airy Elementary is the highest performing school in the county. The results across our student population shows that literacy and cognitive development work together as teachers help students across the road to reading comprehension with thinking maps as a new language for literacy. To move beyond the inadequacies of past research and practice and to shift literacy to a new form requires a shift in tools and a mind shift by leaders. Literacy alone is not power in the age of information and technology, multicultural and multilingual communication, and global economies see Chapter A new critical literacy is required based on research showing that phonemic awareness and metacognitive strategies must develop together with vocabulary development and comprehension strategies across first and second languages. Many students, and unfortunately most at-risk students, are given an overwhelming, repetitious panoply of strategies that merely heighten their awareness of words without deepening their comprehension abilities. From our experiences and results, we have found, however, that students are not left behind on the road to reading comprehension when given tools for actively reflecting on how they are thinking and the patterns emerging from text. The video clip below is a Quicktime video. If you see the video, you have the Quicktime plug-in. Click the play button and watch. If you do not see the video, click here to download the Quicktime plug-in Windows and Macintosh. Additionally, Windows Media Player versions of the video clip are accessible below. Organize Our Thinking - First Grade Classroom Watch a first grade classroom organize their thinking using different Thinking Maps to share insights into the book *Leo the Lion*, then use the Thinking Map that best suits their thinking and learning styles individually. If you prefer the Windows Media Player version of the video clip below click here to watch. An interview by David Hyerle, Ed. Key sections from the chapter *Maps for the Road to Reading Comprehension: Thinking and Maps Reading and Writing: As a collaborative writer about data-driven whole school student performance change, she provides support for colleagues looking for similar significant and lasting results as have occurred at Mt.*

Chapter 2 : Thinking Maps Â»

Student Successes With Thinking Maps(R): School-Based Research, Results, and Models for Achievement Using Visual Tools by David Hyerle According to my personal assessment, this book is the third in a trilogy of research-based books written by David Hyerle, an educational researcher & founder of Innovative Sciences in the 70's/80's.

General information[edit] Thinking Maps are a specific set of graphic Thinking organizers used in K classroom settings, or "visual teaching tools that foster and encourage life-long learning," as well as tol that provide students with the skills to be "successful thinkers, problem solvers, [and] decision makers" Thinking Maps Inc. Maps were founded as,"a good skill for the mind" quoted by Dr. Mark Davidson, scholarly teacher of accelerated classes. What he says is that the "one common instructional thread that binds together all teachers, from prekindergarten through postgraduate, is that they all teach the same thought processes" Thinking Maps Inc. For example, the thought process of classification might be taught in kindergarten by sorting or grouping, whereas classification in the upper grades might be taught as categorizing a main idea and details. Although we refer to classifying items, concepts, or ideas in different ways with different aged students, the thought process in its entirety is considered classification. With this belief that all teachers, no matter the grade level, teach the same thought processes, these common set of visual organizers was created by Dr. David Hyerle as a type of language to be used across grade levels, content areas, and disciplines so that "students could learn more effectively and more efficiently. ISI was founded by Charles Adams in order to "improve the thinking and problem-solving abilities of the work force" Thinking Maps, Inc. Over the next eighteen years, ISI created a variety of developmentally appropriate materials, or "content-based thinking skills," for schools based on research from student reading performance and different educational teaching models Thinking Maps, Inc. In , test results indicated that "Thinking Maps significantly affect[ed] standardized and qualitative measures of student performance" Thinking Maps Inc. Today, thousands of teachers across America have been trained in using and implementing Thinking Maps in their classrooms. Educational theory and Thinking Maps[edit] In his text Curriculum as Conversation, Applebee states that a "curriculum provides domains for conversation, and the conversations that take place within those domains are the primary means for teaching and learning. Through such conversations, students will be helped to enter into culturally significant traditions of knowledge-in-action" p. When students produce Thinking Maps, conversations among the students and their Maps occur, which is where the real learning takes place. Social learning starts when the teacher realizes that his or her classroom needs to be based on a learning community of able and willing learners, where each student has a vital role in the everyday learning by participating and adding to the conversation, which is where Thinking Maps can aid, scaffold, and support. Thinking Maps are products of reading, writing, listening, and speaking, and the aspects of listening and speaking are parts of the thinking processes that students use to explain themselves. In second grade, a teacher may use the Flow Map to sequence the stages and life cycle of a butterfly, while a high school chemistry teacher may use the same map to sequence the changing of an element from the periodic table. One teacher uses the map to illustrate a concrete idea, while another teacher uses the map to illustrate an abstract idea. When looking at the overarching theories of education, Thinking Maps fall into the Postmodern Constructivism theory. In the Postmodern Constructivism theory of education, learners often use their prior experiences, and when using one of the eight fundamental thought processes and Thinking Maps, learners often do use their background knowledge to continue constructing new meaning and knowledge Sherman, Students are also encouraged to create and form their own opinions after self-reflection and creating Thinking Maps, as well as to engage and discuss their individual maps with their peers, even if their ideas differ. Another aspect of the Postmodern Constructivism theory of education that is seen by the use of Thinking Maps is that they promote critical thinking and problem solving Sherman, David Hyerle provides a plethora of reasons and research as to why Thinking Maps are beneficial tools for the classroom. Hyerle states that using the eight Thinking Maps promote metacognition and continuous cognitive development for students across their academic careers, as well as adds an artistic and kinesthetic component for students who learn effectively with that specific

multiple intelligence Hyerle, Through his research, Dr. Hyerle also found that Thinking Maps help close the achievement gap, as they "can help students [below grade level] self-regulate their own learning and be more successful in the game of school because Thinking Maps serve as a device for mediating thinking, listening, speaking, reading, writing, problem solving, and acquiring new knowledge. The Concept Map Mining tool was used to look at a collection of annotated essays written by undergraduate college students p. In Thinking with Maps, Elisabeth Camp investigates how individuals think and how thinking is related to language. Camp states that "thinking in maps is substantively different from thinking in sentences" p. Thinking Maps support learners who thrive with the artistic and kinesthetic multiple intelligences of learning. David Hyerle reports numerous success stories with the use of Thinking Maps in his article Thinking Maps: After teachers participated in a year-long professional development in the use and purpose of Thinking Maps, as well as integrated the maps into their curriculum during this training year, the "teachers agreed that the maps had successfully helped students develop their thinking processes and their ability to organize ideas, improved the quality and quantity of their writing, and also motivated them to learn. Further, the maps benefited the teachers by helping them organize content and assess student learning" p. Hyerle also reported that the educators who gave Thinking Maps the highest ratings at the end of the year were those who taught English Learners Spanish-speaking students , as Thinking Maps "enabled their students to transfer patterns of thinking from Spanish into English, to focus on learning, and to build vocabulary" p. In conclusion, by linking each thinking skill to a unique and dynamic visual representation, the language of Thinking Maps becomes a tool set for supporting effective instructional practice and improving student performance. Teachers and students, therefore, independently apply thinking skills for their own learning while also having a common visual language for cooperative learning. By having a rich language of visual maps based on thinking processes, learners are no longer confused by poorly organized brainstorming webs or an endless array of static graphic organizers. They are enabled to move from concrete to abstract concepts, think with depth, and directly apply their thinking to complex tasks.

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