

Pursuing an Academic Career Virtual Event Series

Interactive Teaching January 21, 2011

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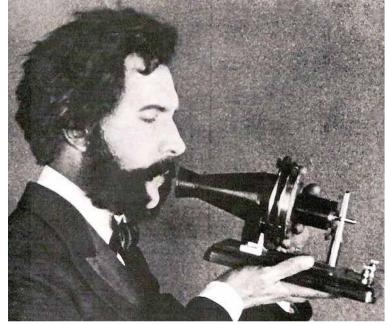
You can find information about the event at

http://serc.carleton.edu/NAGTWorkshops/careerdev/AcademicCareer2011/jan_2011.html



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Interactive Teaching

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Overview

- Introduction to Elluminate and Icebreaker
- Interactive Teaching structured session (with questions)
- Open questions and selected resources
- Evaluation of event



Introduction to Elluminate and Icebreaker

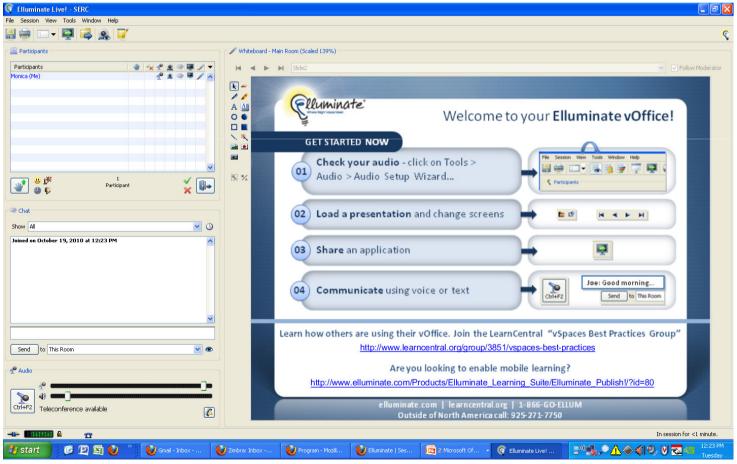


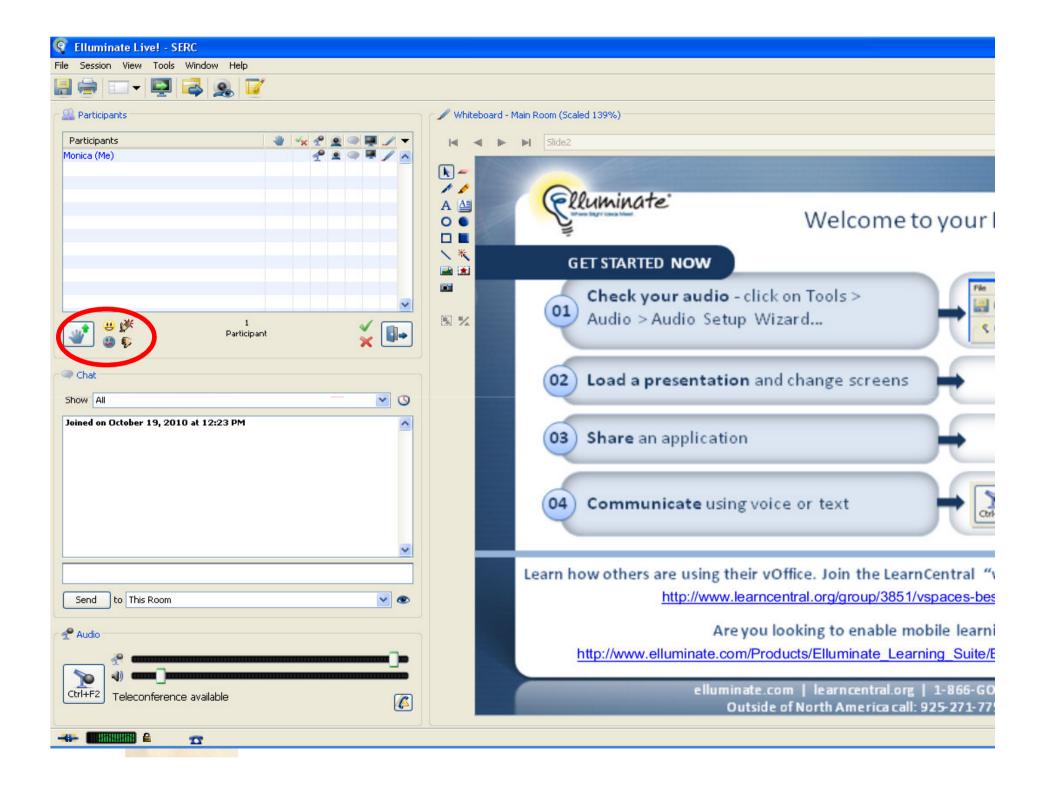


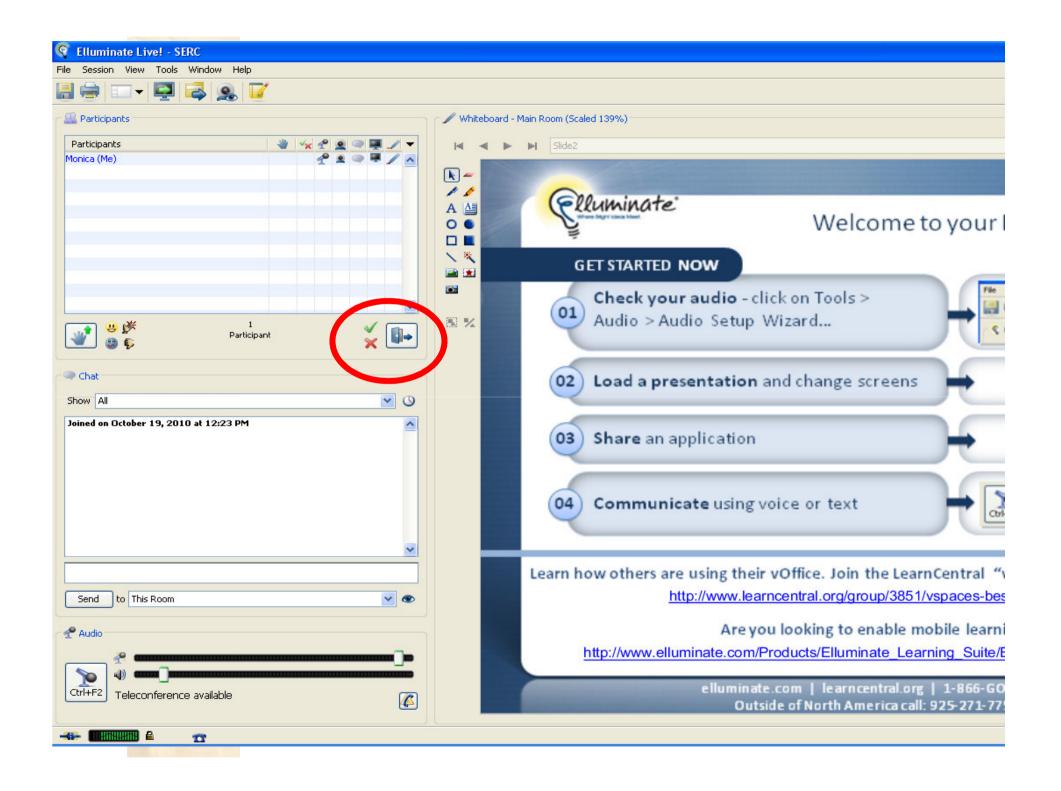
Getting Started with Elluminate

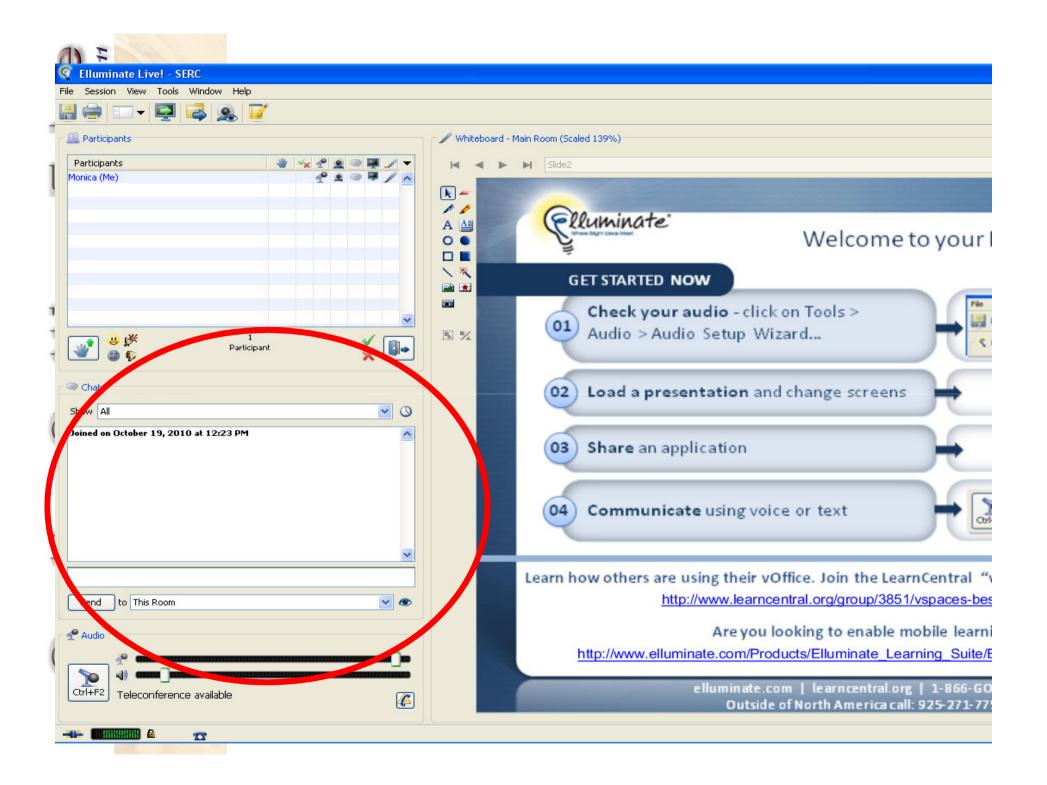
Hi! I'm Monica.

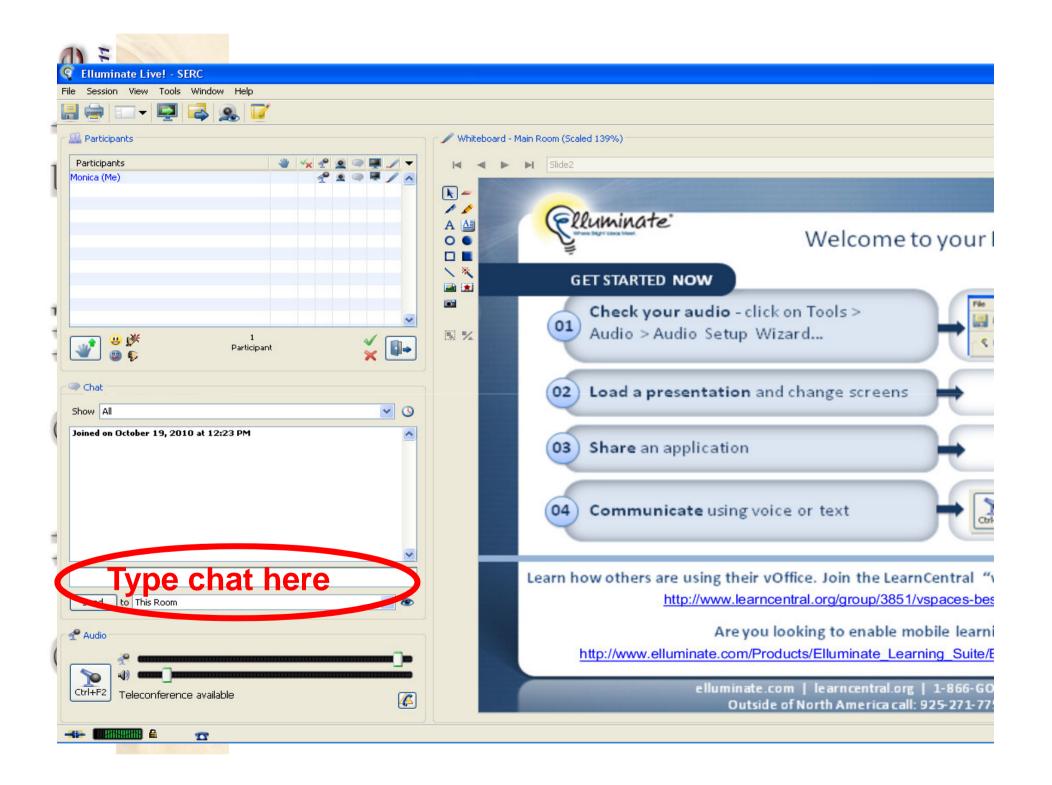


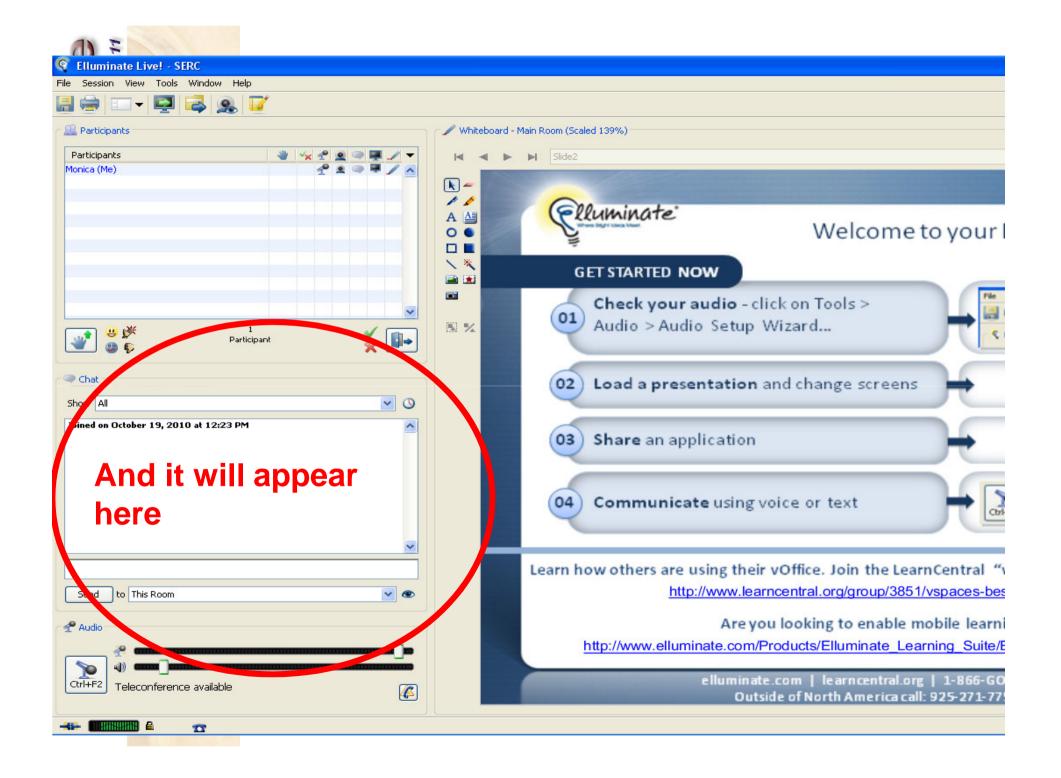


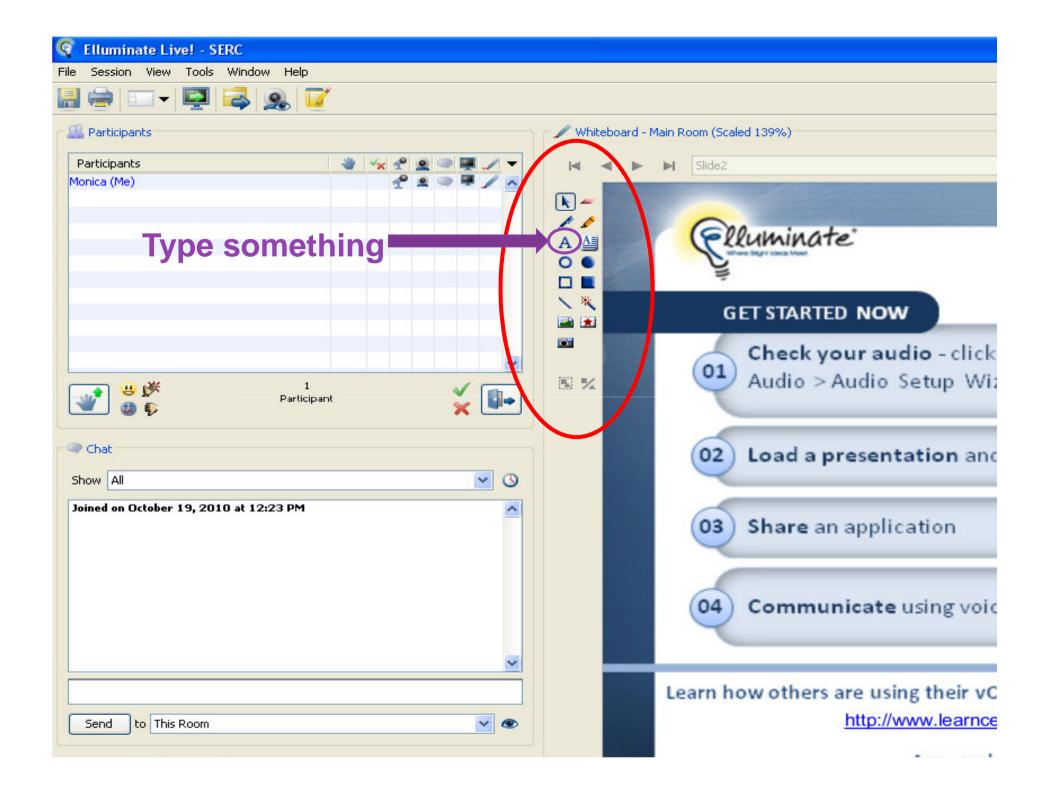












Have you attended a *Cutting Edge* workshop?

Answer yes or no using poll function

green checkmark = yes

red X = no



This spring, what are your teaching responsibilities?

- A. Teaching a lab (TA or faculty)
- B. Teaching a lecture-based course
- C. Teaching both lecture and lab
- D. I'm not teaching this spring

Click A, B, C, or D to record your answer



Where are you?

Click on the US map and type your name





What is one thing that you want to learn from today's session?

Answer by typing into text box



Today's Goals

- Learn about Think-Pair-Share, Concept Map, Gallery Walk, and Jigsaw strategies and examples.
- Gain ideas for using these types of activities in your teaching.
- Learn about the advantages of using interactive teaching activities to improve student learning.



Think-Pair-Share





Think-Pair-Share Examples

- Describing and interpreting images (e.g., outcrops)
- Answering questions about figures (e.g., patterns, trends, rates, various calculations)
- Solving problems



Executing think-pair-share exercises

Based on the short video of one example of TPS in action or your own experience, what are strategies for the successful implementation of TPS?

If you'd like, please share your response by typing into text box.

http://serc.carleton.edu/NAGTWorkshops/earlycareer/teaching/toolkit.html



Think-Pair-Share

- Simple way to engage students
- Provides time for everyone to develop answers, and more students can be right
- Can clarify incorrect answers or misconceptions
- Exercise may fall flat
- Doesn't take much prep time



Think-Pair-Share

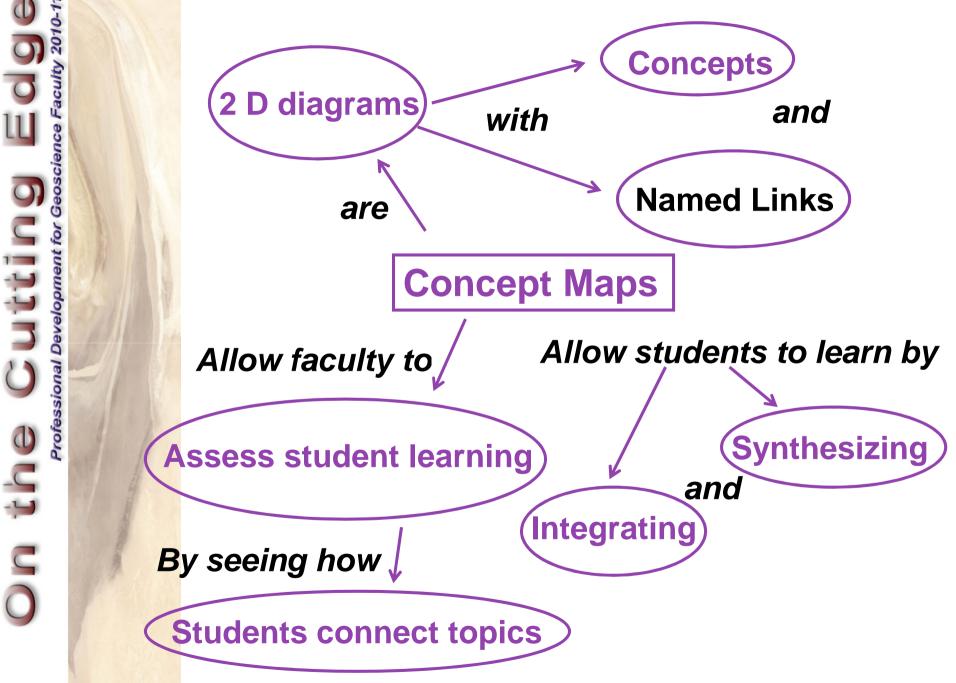
Take a minute to THINK about how you might use Think-Pair-Share in a class or lab.





Share your idea Questions?

- If you'd like to, share your example by typing into text box.
- Take a moment to read through the other responses, and gain new ideas.
- If you have a question about Think-Pair Share, please ask now.
- (If you have questions along the way, feel free to write them in the text box at any time.)





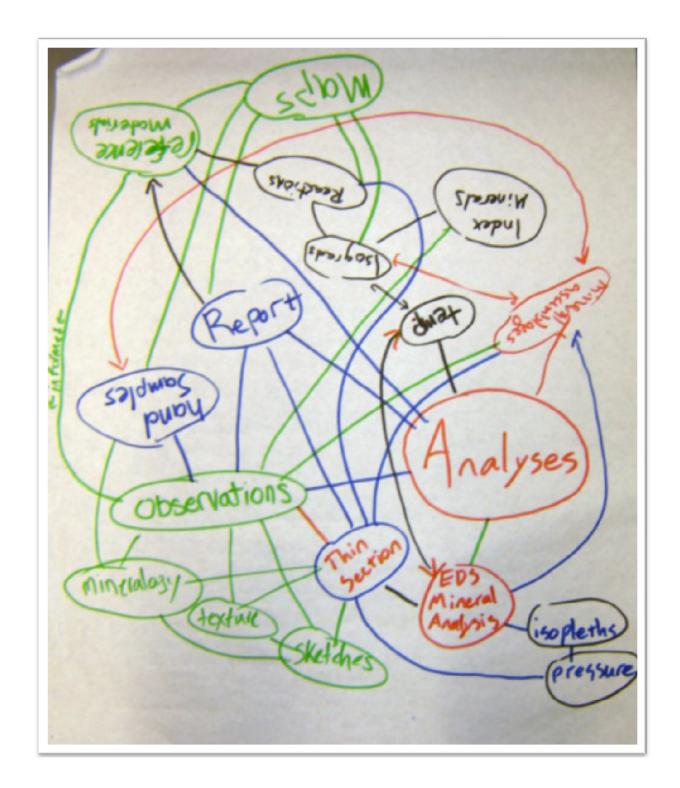
Concept Maps

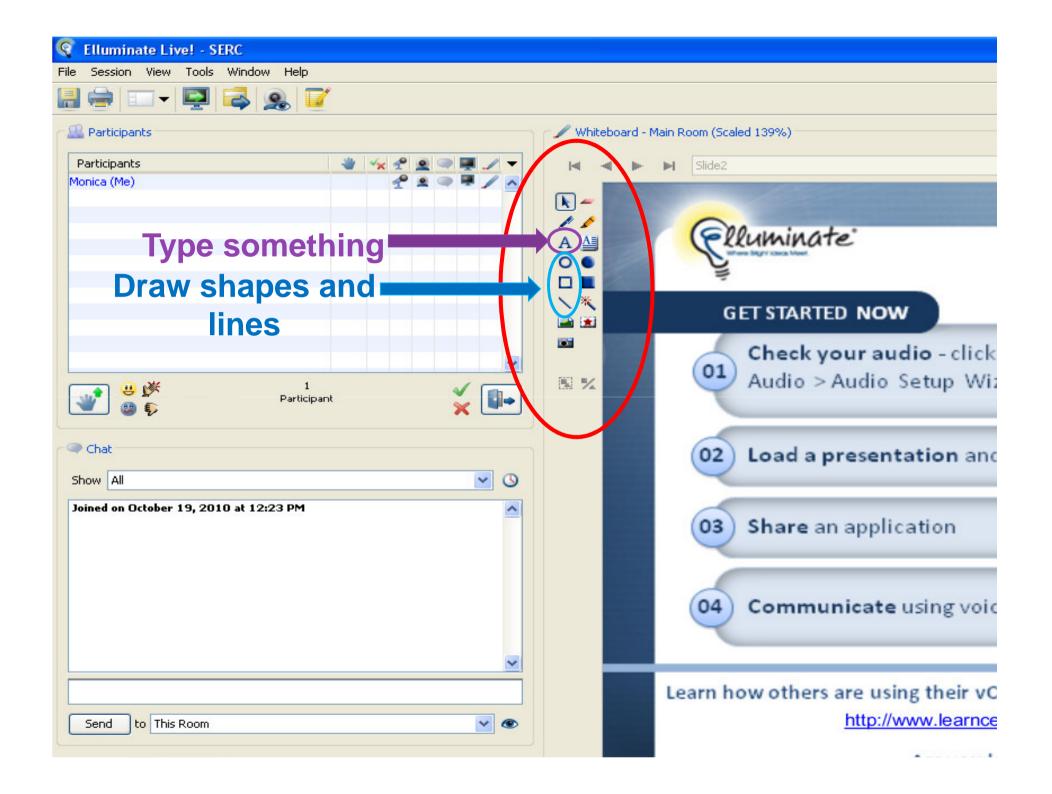
Angelo and Cross (1993) indicate that concept maps help develop student abilities.

- The ability to draw reasonable inferences from observations.
- The ability to synthesize and integrate information and ideas.
- The ability to learn concepts and theories in the subject area.

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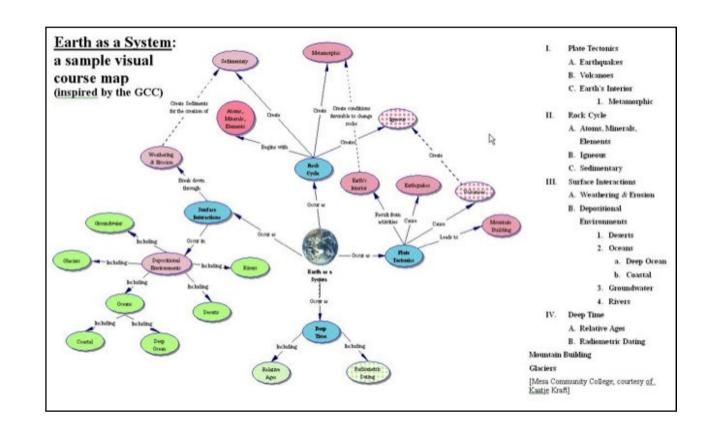






Concept Maps

THINK about how you might apply Concept Maps.





Concept Maps

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- Improves student learning
- Improves student retention
- Gives us immediate feedback on student understanding.



Improves student learning

Hake, 1998 compared preand post-course test results for 6000 students from high school and university physics courses, and found significantly more improvement in students in courses that used interactiveengagement methods.

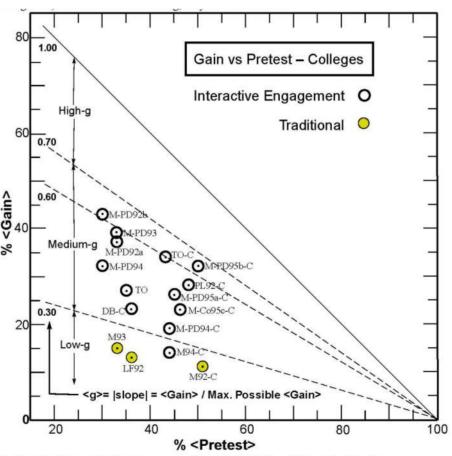


Fig. 3b. %<Gain> vs %<Pretest> score on the conceptual MD or FCI tests for 16 college courses enrolling a total of N = 597 students. The course code "-C" indicates a calculus-based course.

Interactive teaching improves student learning

- Student attention is focused on the class.
- All students think about and apply material during class.
- All students practice thinking and talking using the language of geoscience.



Improves student retention

Wenzel, 1999, reported that a class that used think-pair-share for 2-3 minutes every 12-18 minutes of lecture **remembered more** of the lecture material directly after the class and twelve days later than the control class that heard the same lecture without the think-pair-share breaks.



- Improves student learning
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- Gives us immediate feedback on student understanding.
 - Is more time needed on a concept?
 - Is the class ready to move on?

Gallery Walk



http://mst-certi.wikispaces.com/Gallery+Walks

- Post each question on top of a sheet of paper
- Arrange groups at each poster
- Give group a few minutes to answer the question, writing on the sheet of paper
- Instruct groups to rotate, discuss question and response(s), then respond in writing
- After groups have rotated through all posters and are back at the original, each group reports key points



Gallery Walk Examples

- In first day of class, questions about climate change (or)
- Following a reading assignment on mass extinctions, the following questions
 - What is a mass extinction?
 - Are we currently experiencing the 6th great mass extinction? Why or why not?
 - Do you consider biological conservation a priority? Why or why not?
 - What could you do in your daily life to slow down modern extinction rates?
- Maps
- Exam review questions

Gallery Walk

- Allows for both consensus and debate
- Provides opportunity to gauge prior (current) knowledge, to introduce students to issue
- Requires movement around the room

Gallery Walks

THINK about how you might apply Gallery Walks and jot it down on a piece of paper.





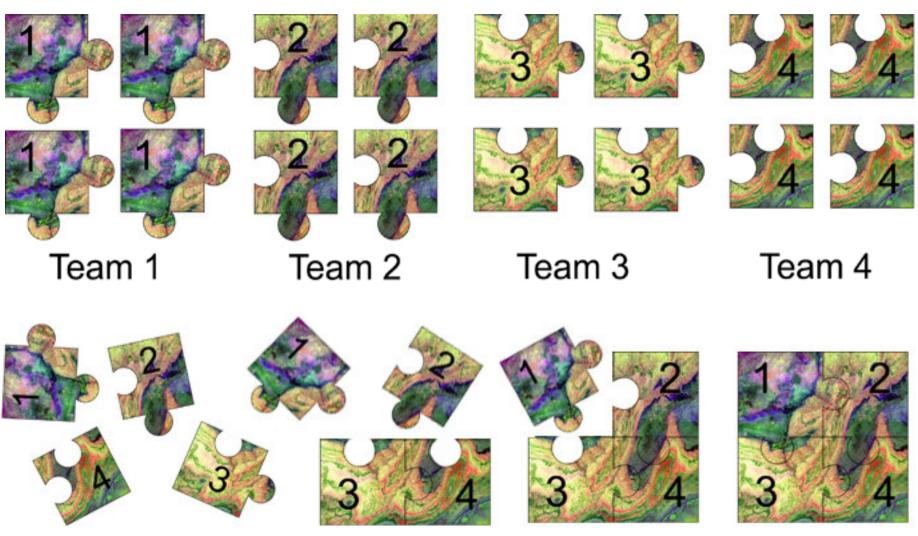
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Jigsaw



From Barbara Tewksbury http://serc.carleton.edu/NAGTWorkshops/teaching_methods/jigsaws/index.html

Jigsaw Examples



- Plate tectonics. Teams analyze earthquake, volcano, seafloor age, and topography data maps, then combine to draw plate boundaries and interpret processes.
- ❖ Google Earth. Each team analyzes different locations that show similar features (e.g., barrier islands, folds, valley glaciers, etc.), then combine to discuss similarities and differences of the feature.
- ❖ Earthquake epicenter location. Each team receives a different set of seismograms. After each team determines the P-S time differential and distance to the earthquake, mixed groups compare data to locate the earthquake.

Jigsaws

❖THINK about how you might apply Jigsaws.





Jigsaws

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Managing the Class

- Accept that your class will be noisy.
- Visit groups to see if they are on track.
- Find an effective way to bring the class back together.
- Pick groups to report at random or have all groups report.
- Possible to have each student turn in something written for a grade.



Do you have any lingering questions about interactive teaching?

If you have a question, please type it in the text box.



Places to go for more ideas

Interactive Lectures

http://serc.carleton.edu/introgeo/interactive/index.html

Expanding your Teaching Toolkit: Active Learning Methodologies

http://serc.carleton.edu/NAGTWorkshops/earlycareer/teaching/toolkit.html



Preparing for an Academic Career in the Geosciences Workshop

June 6-9, 2011

University of Nebraska Lincoln, Nebraska

Deadline March 11, 2011



Three main goals of the workshop are for participants to become more effective teachers, stronger candidates for academic jobs, and better prepared future faculty members who will be able to make a quick and effective start in teaching and research.

http://serc.carleton.edu/NAGTWorkshops/careerprep2011/index.html

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- February 4, 2011 (Friday): Negotiations in the Hiring Process, Leaders: Timothy Bralower, Pennsylvania State University and Scott Fendorf, Stanford University
- April 22, 2011 (Friday): Developing Yourself as a Teacher: Teaching Philosophies, Teaching Styles, and Teaching Statements, Leaders: Rachel Beane and Heather Macdonald
- May, 11 2011, (Wednesday): Strategic Early Career Planning, Leader: Rachel O'Brien, Allegheny College
- June 21, 2011 (Tuesday): Faculty Positions: Exploring the Range of Possibilities, Leaders from a variety of academic institutions.



Thank you!

We're glad you were able to join us today.

Please help us by completing an evaluation form at

http://serc.carleton.edu//NAGTWorkshops/careerdev/AcademicCareer2011/jan_eval.html