# ONLINE LEARNING AND BLOOM'S TAXONOMY

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# **OVERVIEW**

#### **Focus**

• How to design online learning activities that help students meet learning outcomes.

## **Topics covered**

- Online learning concerns
- Learner interactions
- Bloom's Taxonomy
- Online learning activity design

## ONLINE LEARNING CONCERNS

- How do I handle transactional distance?
- How do I identify and address my learning outcomes?
- What **pedagogical strategies** or activities should I use?

# TRANSACTIONAL DISTANCE

The BIG CHALLENGE that people discuss when shifting to online learning.

- Technology broadens distance
- Interaction techniques can lesson it



# WHAT KINDS OF ACTIVITIES DO YOU TYPICALLY DO IN YOUR FACE-TO-FACE CLASSES?

Take 60 seconds to think about this and share your answer in the chat.

I ask my students to ...

Content

Computer

Instructor

Peer

Network

LEARNER INTERACTIONS

# LEARNING TOOLS



Content linking/hosting



Quiz / test



Discussion boards



Synchronous video discussion (e.g., Zoom)



Asynchronous video discussion (e.g., FlipGrid)

# TYPES OF LEARNING ACTIVITIES





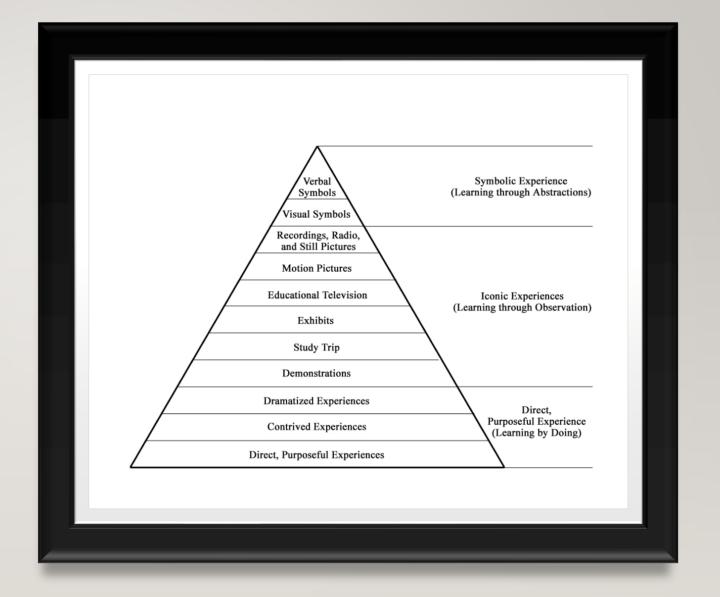


**Asynchronous** 

Whole class Small group

#### ANOTHER CONSIDERATION: DALE'S CONE OF EXPERIENCE

- How concrete must the learning experience be?
- How abstract can it be?
- How do we provide sufficiently concrete experiences online?



# SO MANY OPTIONS, HOW DO WE CHOOSE?

LEARNING INTERACTIONS + LEARNING TOOLS = ???

#### Evaluation

Make and defend judgments based on internal evidence or external criteria.

argue assess attach
choose compare conclude
contrast defend describe discriminate
estimate evaluate explain judge justify interpret
relate predict rate select summarize support value

Thinking Skills

# Synthesis

Compile component ideas into a new whole or propose alternative solutions.

# Analysis

Break down objects or ideas into simpler parts and find evidence to support generalizations.

# Application

Apply knowledge to actual situations.

arrange assemble categorize collect combine comply compose construct create design develop devise explain formulate generate plan prepare rearrange reconstruct relate eorganize revise rewrite set up summarize synthesize tell write

# **BLOOM'S**

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# **ACTIVITIES**

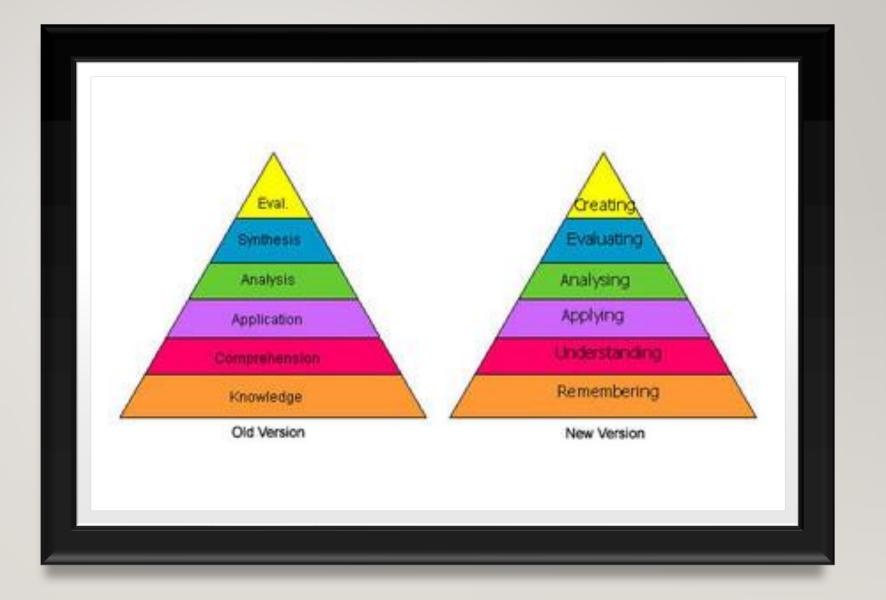
apply change choose compute demonstrate discover dramatize employ illustrate interpret manipulate modify operate practice predict prepare produce relate schedule show sketch solve use write

YOU HAVE TO WALK BEFORE YOU CAN RUN.

classify convert defend describe discuss distinguish estimate explain express extend generalized give example(s) identify indicate infer locate paraphrase predict recognize rewrite review select

Comprehension

SIDE NOTE: THE TAXONOMY HAS BEEN REVISED



## WHY BLOOM'S TAXONOMY

- Break down instruction into component parts
- Gain clarity on what learners need to do
- Ensure instructional alignment



## BLOOM'S TAXONOMY: LOWER ORDER SKILLS

#### **REMEMBER**

Recognize or recall facts

- Identify
- List
- Select
- State

#### **UNDERSTAND**

Understanding facts and ideas

- Classify
- Compare
- Explain
- Paraphrase

## BLOOM'S TAXONOMY: MIDDLE ORDER SKILLS

#### **APPLY**

Use knowledge and skills in a new situation

- Demonstrate
- Implement
- Practice
- Use

#### **ANALYZE**

Engage in detailed exploration

- Deconstruct
- Investigate
- Organize
- Test

## BLOOM'S TAXONOMY: HIGHER ORDER SKILLS

#### **EVALUATE**

Make informed judgements based on information and criteria

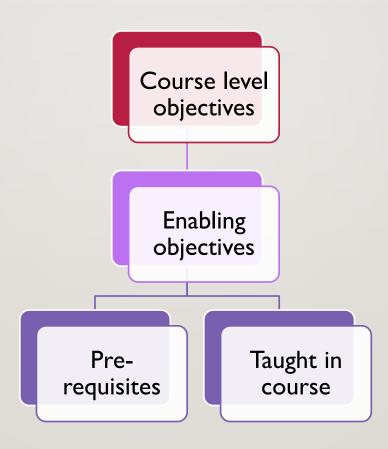
- Decide
- Justify
- Rate

#### **CREATE**

To modify something or make something new

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- Design
- Plan

# LEVELS OF OBJECTIVES

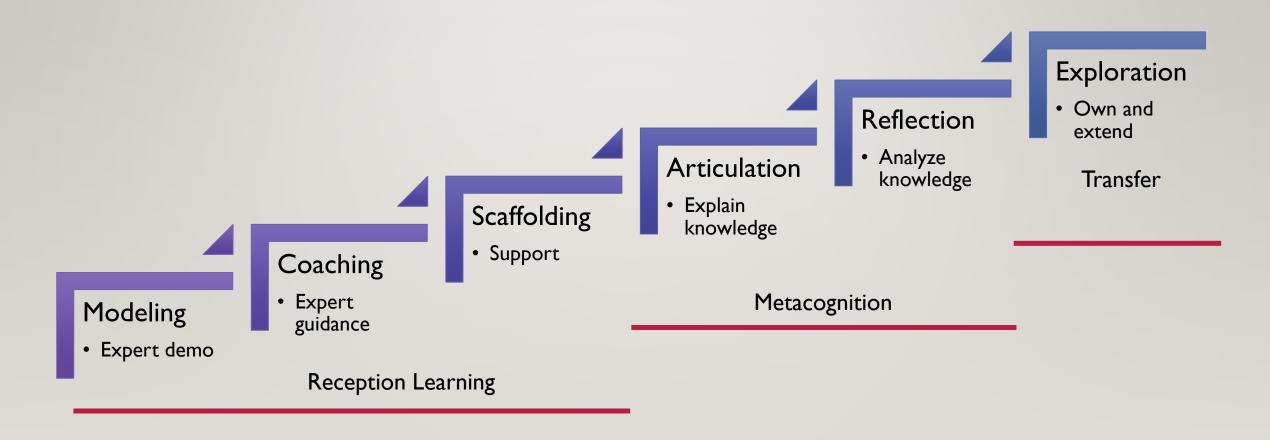


# TRANSLATING OBJECTIVES INTO ACTIVITIES





# RATIONALE FOR ACTIVITIES: COGNITIVE APPRENTICESHIP MODEL



# ACTIVITIES AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP TO ASSESSMENT

## **INDIRECT**

- Practice
- Exploration

#### **DIRECT**

- Performances
- Critiques
- Debriefs

# PRACTICE:

- What order skills do you teach?
- What kinds of learning interactions will your students engage in?
- What learning tools will you use?

# RETURN TO BLOOM: WHAT WOULD YOU DO IN AN ONLINE CLASS? LOWER ORDER SKILLS

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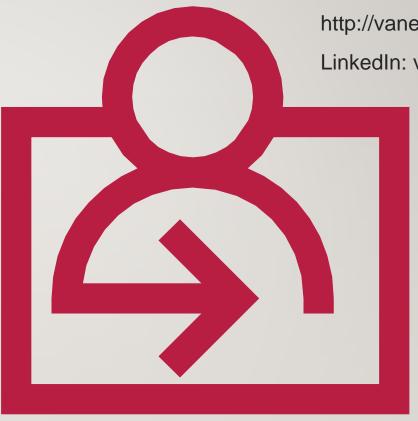
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