

ELL/SDAIE Strategies

Instructional Strategies used throughout the year:

Anticipatory KWL Chart - Before reading a selection, hearing a selection or viewing a video students are asked to complete the first two sections of the chart- "What I already know about" and "What I would like to find out about" After the information has been presented students complete the "What I learned..." section. Responses are shared with a partner. This is also known as a KWL Chart

Anticipatory Guide - Students are given a series of statements that relate to a reading selection, lecture, or video. Students indicate AGREE or DISAGREE. After the information has been presented, students check to see if they were correct.

Brainstorming - Students work as a whole group with the teacher, or in small groups. Begin with a stimulus such as a word, phrase, picture, or object and record all responses to that stimulus without prejudice. Prewriting or INTO strategy. The students give ideas on a topic while a recorder writes them down. The students should be working under time pressure to create as many ideas as possible. All ideas count; everything is recorded. More ideas can be built on the ideas of others.

Carousel Brainstorming - Each small group has a poster with a title related to the topic of the lesson. Each group uses a different colored marker to write 4 to 5 strategies/activities that relate to their topic. Students rotate to all the other posters, reading them and adding 2 to 3 more strategies. Students discuss the results.

Character Matrix - In groups, students create a grid, which lists the characters horizontally on the left and character traits vertically across the top. The students determine the traits used. Group members decide if each character possesses each of the traits and writes "yes" or "no" in the appropriate box.

Choral Reading - Groups of students chorally present a poem, or other reading selection. One person reads the title, author, and origin. Each person says at least one

"re-presentation."

Cooperative Graphing - This activity involves graphing information based on a survey. Each group of

Image and Quote with Cooperative Poster - Groups of four are formed. Students read a selection. Each chooses a quote and an image that have impact for them. Round Robin share. Groups come to consensus on favorite image and quote. Each student takes one colored pen. With all members participating, and each using their chosen color, they draw the group image and write the group quote on a piece of butcher or easel paper. Each member signs the poster with his or her pen. Posters are shared with the class.

Inside-Outside Circle - Students are arranged into two equal circles, one inside the other. Students from the smaller inside circle face those in the outer larger circle and vice versa. Students ask each other questions about a review topic. These may be either teacher or student generated. Students from one of the circles rotate to either the left or right. The teacher determines how many steps and in which direction. Another question is asked and answered.

Interactive Reading Guide - Working in groups, students write down everything they know about a reading selection topic. Then, they write three questions they want to have answered by the selection. Each student reads a short first section silently; then students retell the information with a partner. Next, the first ___pages (teacher's choice) are read aloud in the group, each person taking a turn to read. Then,

number in the corner. Each person writes, "We think a story/selection entitled (insert appropriate title) might be about ...". Each person then has one minute to list what he or she thinks the story might be about. For example, a story entitled "Eleven" might be about a football team, roll of dice,

Comic Strip Create a 6-paneled comic strip of the lesson content.

Image and Quote Choose an image and quote from the lesson content that are repres

group with those reading the same book. Students read and solve the teacher-designed activities that relate to their book. The group shares with the class what they have learned from their reading.

Reading Guide 1. Headings Read -Around- Students take turns reading the headings of the reading
2. Prediction Chart- With their group, students choose two headings and predict what will be discussed in those sections. Students write their answers on a prediction chart with the following labels: "Heading", "Prediction", "Yes or No". In their groups, students take turns reading the first page aloud, and finish reading the selection in silence. They write "yes" or "no" on the prediction chart to indicate whether or not their predictions were correct.
5. Thinking Questions- Students write one thinking question (Why..., How..., Compare..., What if...), and exchange papers to answer each other's questions.

Reading Log- Students complete while reading a selection. The left-hand side contains topic headings for sections of the reading. Students are to briefly summarize each topic. On the right--hand side students reflect on the implications of each topic.

Reciprocal Teaching - Two students work together to read a passage. Each may have a text or they may share a text. Student A reads one paragraph aloud, then asks Student B one or two good questions. (See QAR below.) B answers or explains why (s)he cannot. A and B discuss questions and answers. The process is repeated in reverse.

Reflections - Students reflect, in writing, on what was learned, what was confusing, and connections of this lesson to other lessons/other content areas/real world. Students may also reflect on their progress as a student, what to do differently next time, or what was liked about the topic.

Round Robin - Cooperative learning structure in which team members share ideas verbally on a topic. Group members share in order, without interruption, comment, discussion, or questions from other members so that everyone has an opportunity to share.

Round Table - The teacher asks a question that has many possible answers. In groups, the students make a list of possible answers by one at a time saying an answer out loud and writing it down on a piece of paper. The paper is then passed to the next student to record another answer. The process continues until the teacher tells the students to stop.

Same-Different

their own estimate if they disagree with the average. Actual answers are given after the students share estimates with the whole group.

Tableau - The students form a tableau of characters or scenes or concepts. The teacher directs students regarding their positions and facial expressions. Students hold their positions in a brief tableau.

Tap-A-Word - Students practice pronouncing words or phrases by using a combination of claps, hitting the table, and snapping the fingers.
the teacher. In Round Table style, each member uses a word from the list, in the order given, in a sentence to create a collaborative story.

Think-Pair-Share - When asked to consider an idea or answer a question, students write their ideas on paper (think). Each student turns to another student nearby and reads or tells his or her own responses (pair, share). This is an oral exchange, not a reading of each other's papers.

Three Step Interview - Group participants letter off A-B-C-D. They use the following interview steps in order to share what they have written in a quickwrite until they all have been read. Step 1: A interviews B C interviews D Step 2: B interviews A D interviews C Step 3:A interviews C and D about B B interviews C and D about A, C interviews A and B about D, D interviews A and B about C.

Verbalizing -Students share with a partner ideas they have on a topic. Pre-writing or INTO strategy.

Visualization - In response to a teacher prompt, students visualize in their mind a particular time or place and concentrate on sensory images. (Tell students to "turn on the TV in their minds.")

Vocabulary Cards