



Culture, Collaboration, Commitment, Communication, & Community

Session 1. Wednesday, Aug 13, 2014, 8:00-4:00

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Warming up with linguistics
- 3. ELLs in the classroom: Sheltered Instruction & ELD/ELP
- 4. Guiding principles for the new ELP Standards
- 5. Larsen-Freeman (2014)

Break

- 6. ELP Standards: Practices Functions Forms
- 7. Example of Contextualized ELD Lesson
- 8. Steps in Lesson Plan Creation and Practice **Lunch**
- 9. ED 638 Syllabus and High-5 survey
- 10. Work Time
- 11. Looking Forward



Welcome to Project High Five



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ODE Culturally Responsive Pedagogy and Practices Grant

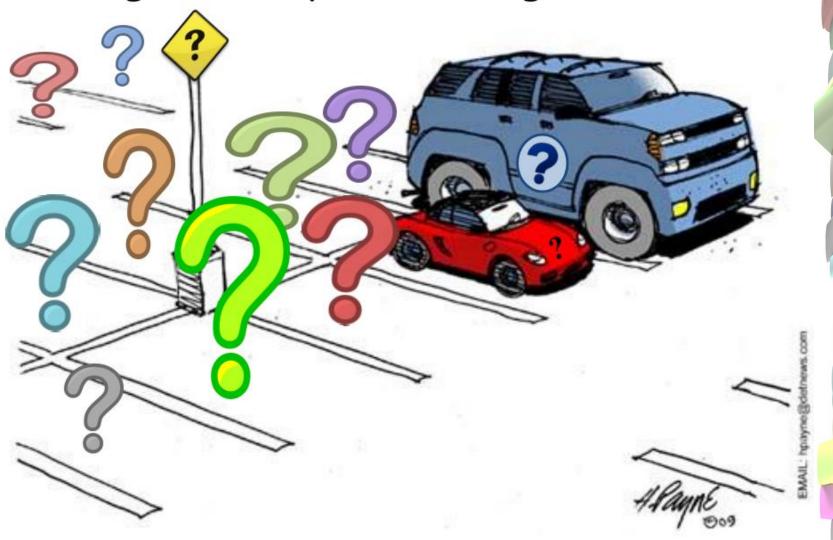


What is Project High Five?

Project High Five will help further cultivate Western Oregon University's relationship with Central School District and the local community. The grant has 3 main goals:

- Develop a strong Professional Development School (PDS) partnership program between Central School District and Western Oregon University using a co-teaching approach and based on principles of culturally responsive pedagogy.
- Strengthen and expand a contextualized English Language Development (ELD) model of instruction for English Learners.
- Actively involve pre-service and in-service teachers, as well as K-12 students in community service activities with a focus on advocacy for all community members.

Parking lot for questions big or small



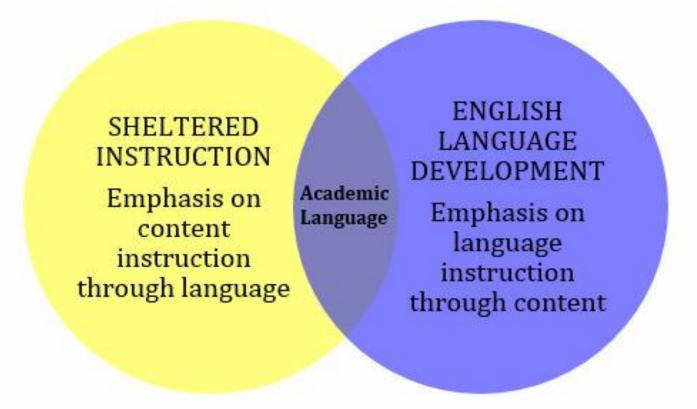
ELL Language Production

Elements in the system of language

- Phonology: the study of the sounds of a language
- Morphology: the study of words and parts of words
- Syntax: the study of the **structure of sentences** and the rules that govern their formation
- Semantics: the study of meanings of individual words and of larger units such as phrases and sentences
- Pragmatics: the study of language use in context



Sheltered Instruction and English Language Development

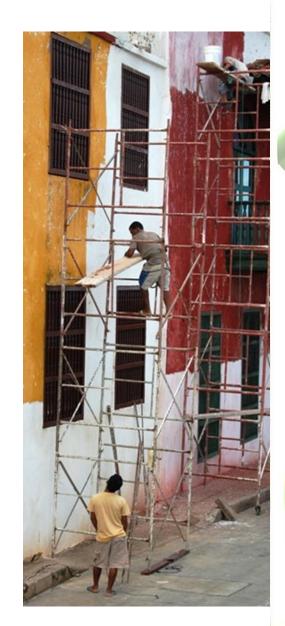


Sheltered Instruction: Key Components

- Sheltered instruction involves designing lessons that integrate language development and comprehensible content instruction. Sheltered lessons have two goals:
 - to provide access to mainstream, grade-level content.
 This is achieved through *scaffolding* strategies.
 - to promote language development. This involves carefully analyzing the language demands of the lesson and designing *language objectives* that will help students increase academic language proficiency.

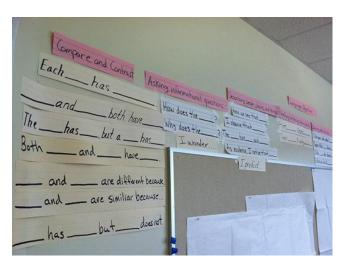
Scaffolding in Sheltered Instruction

- Hands-on activities and cooperative learning
- Written and oral instructions
- Guarded vocabulary
 - Contextual definitions of words and concepts
 - Simplified vocabulary
 - Repetition
 - Shorter sentences and simpler syntax
 - More pauses
- Visuals, gestures and linguistic supports
 - Graphic organizers, pictures, sketches
 - Sentence frames, starters, transition words
 - Primary language support and biliteracy development
- Gradual release of responsibility
 - Modeling, group practice, independent work
- Take into consideration students' ...
 - background experiences
 - content knowledge
 - language proficiency levels
- Monitor, assess, and adjust



ELD: Key Components

- Focus on helping English learners develop English language skills.
- Taught as a separate subject area.
- Language should not be taught in isolation. ELD should be linked to the content as well as the linguistic needs of the students.
- ELP standards guide instruction. Lesson objectives are differentiated according to students' language proficiency levels.
- Focus on language in use, rather than knowledge about language.

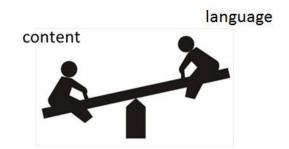




Models for ELD in the Content Classroom

ELD

- Teach new language
- Recycle/review/practice familiar content
- Use ELP standards to guide instruction
 - Forms and Functions
 - Differentiated instruction according to proficiency levels of ELL students



Content

- Teach new content
- Recycle/review/practice familiar language
- Use content standards to guide instruction
 - Literacy, Science, Social Studies,
 Math
 - "Sheltered strategies" used to make content accessible





Models for ELD in the Content Classroom

- During the ELD block...
 - ELL students will stay in their homeroom
 - Homeroom teacher will design ELD lessons for ELLs in his/her classroom
 - ELD lessons will be developed using the ELP standards & utilizing content from other areas of the curriculum (e.g., literacy, science, social studies)
 - Non-ELL students will be grouped in appropriate ways and work on relevant tasks during this period

Possible class formats...

Literacy block



ELD block

All students participate in rotations

ELLs receive ELD contextualized instruction

All other students continue literacy rotations independently

Possible class formats...

Whole-group instruction

(e.g., GLAD unit)

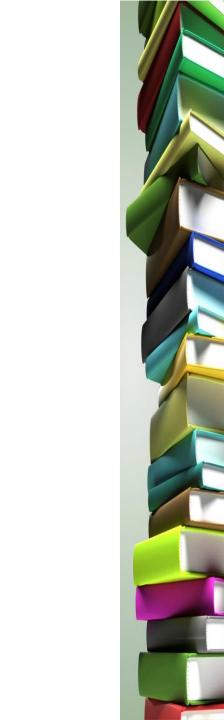
All students participate



ELD block

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Guiding Principles for the new ELP Standards

- 1. Potential of English Learners
- 2. Funds of Knowledge
- 3. Diversity in ELL Progress in Acquiring English Language Proficiency
- 4. Scaffolding
- 5. Students with Limited or Interrupted Formal Education
- 6. Special Needs
- 7. Access Supports and Accommodations

Funds of Knowledge Research: The Project (Gonzalez, et al., 1993)

- Gonzalez and her colleagues believe that the secret to quality instruction is for schools to investigate and tap into the "hidden" home and community resources of their students
- The team of elementary teachers conducted a research project to uncover these resources in students' homes
 - Teachers went to students' homes in order to learn (rather than to teach or for disciplinary reasons)
 - Teachers met with university researchers in study groups to reflect on visits and develop relevant curriculum based on findings

The Findings

 The home investigations revealed that many families had abundant knowledge that the schools did not know about--and therefore did not use in order to teach academic skills

 The project made them look at the local households as "repositories of important social and intellectual resources for teaching" (p. 2).

Table 1: A Sample of Household Funds of Knowledge

Agriculture and Mining

Ranching and farming
Horse riding skills
Animal management
Soil and irrigation
systems
Crop planting
Hunting, tracking,
dressing

Mining
Timbering
Minerals
Blasting
Equipment operation
and maintenance

Household Management

Budgets Childcare Cooking Appliance repairs

Material & Scientific Knowledge

Construction
Carpentry
Roofing
Masonry
Painting
Design and architecture

Repair
Airplane
Automobile
Tractor
House maintenance

Religion

Catechism
Baptisms
Bible studies
Moral knowledge
and ethics

Economics

Business
Market values
Appraising
Renting and selling
Loans
Labor laws
Building codes
Consumer knowledge
Accounting
Sales

Medicine

Contemporary medicine
Drugs
First aid procedures
Anatomy
Midwifery

Folk medicine
Herbal knowledge
Folk cures
Folk veterinary cures

Teachers' Reflections

- The teachers who participated in this project reflected that it helped them become aware of the multi-dimensional facets of their students' lives
- They found that the household networks had great educational potential.
- Once these networks are uncovered and mobilized for learning, they can become social and intellectual resources for the school.

Outcomes

For Teachers	For Students	For Families
Changed view of culture from "static" to "dynamic"	Were able to know their teachers in a way they were not able to in school	Had cultural resources validated as worthy of study
Became aware of students' lives outside of school	Saw teachers as interested in their day-to-day lives	Saw teachers as interested in their day-to-day lives
Saw students' skills and aptitudes that were not readily apparent in school	Experienced new curriculum that validated their experiences	Saw their knowledge and experiences as valuable assets in their children's education
Understood obstacles to parent involvement in school		Enjoyed new access to school community and teachers
Changed view of households from a deficit model to a resource model		
Confianza with families		Confianza with teachers

Ideas for Building the Home-School Connection by Tapping Funds of Knowledge

Teachers can be the "bridge" between the school and the home by validating their students' families and their funds of knowledge.



- "Artist- or Craftperson-in-Residence" Programs (Ladson-Billings, 1995)
- Parent-and-Child Co-authored Books (Ada, 1999)
- Identity Texts (Cummins, 2006)

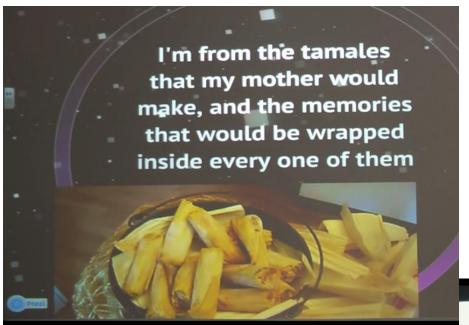
Family Journals to affirm Funds of Knowledge

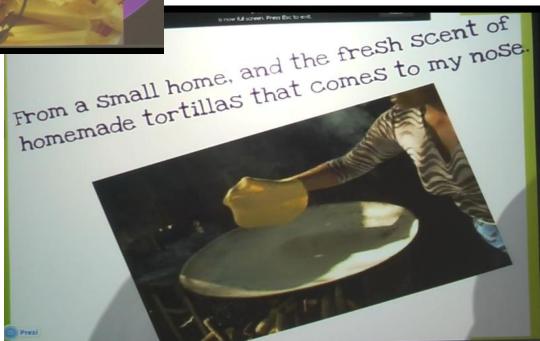




Cuándo mi papá tenia 12 años le ayudaba a su papá a trobaja en el campo. Por los tardes se jutaba con sus amigos. A jugar bolliboll y beisboll, y acontar historias. Despues jugaban a los escondidas y despues agaraban burres y le colgaban boteside la cola, para que se asustara solos.

Identity Texts to affirm Funds of Knowledge





Language Acquisition

- We learn a language by unconsciously generating rules, not by imitating others.
- Errors often indicate that learning is taking place.
- Language is learned in meaningful, supportive and communicative settings.
- We often understand more than we can say.
- It takes a lot of time for us to become fluent.

Center for Applied Linguistics, 1999

Factors Influencing Second Language Acquisition

Psychological



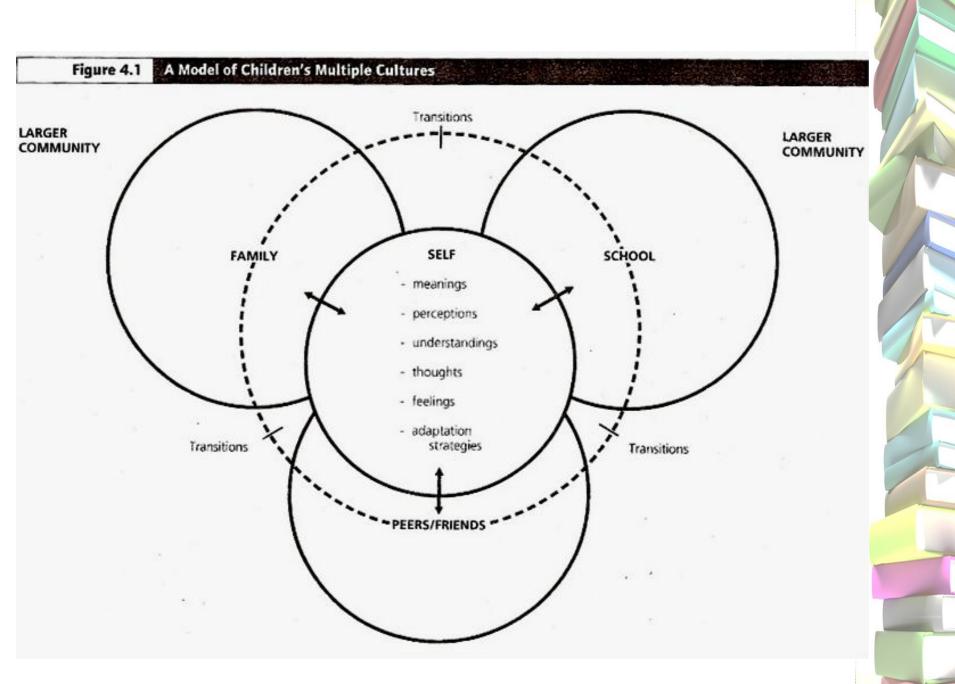
- Age
- L1 proficiency
- Previous L2 experience
- Personality (anxiety, confidence, self-esteem)
- Motivation
- Learning styles and strategies

Sociocultural

- Culture and status
- Socioeconomic level
- Parents' literacy levels
- Family/community involvement
- Extra-curricular involvement
- Peer group
- Curriculum and instruction
- Institutional policies
 - Tracking
 - Testing
 - Physical Environment
 - Disciplinary Policies

Family Values and School Values

"Children need to find within the structure and content of their schooling those behaviors and perspectives that permit them to switch between home and school cultural values without inner conflict or crises of identity" (Garcia, 2002, p. 22)



Additive vs. Subtractive Acculturation

Subtractive (assimilation)

- Replacement of the old culture with the new
- Reflects deficit perspective

Examples of school practices:

Additive

- Acquisition of a new culture without rejection of the old
- Reflects *asset* perspective

Examples of school practices:

Break

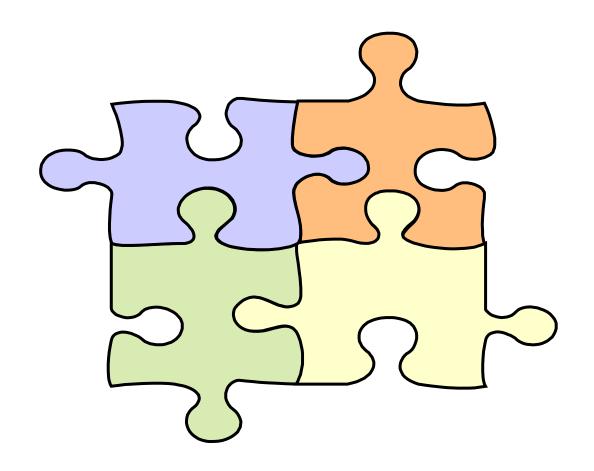


Larsen-Freeman (2014)

Re-read the "Experience" section at the beginning of the article.

- 1. What do you notice about this example?
- 2. Have you ever had a similar experience as a student?
- 3. How about as a teacher?

Jigsaw Activity with Larsen-Freeman (2014)



Section 1: How is Grammar Taught?

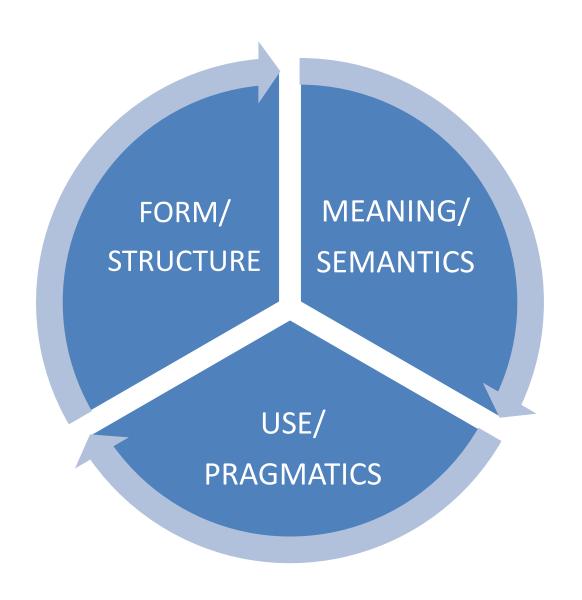
A Three-Dimensional Grammar Framework and the Learning Process

1. Explain the difference between "prescriptive grammar" and "descriptive grammar."

2. How do these ideas relate to the opening example?

3. How do they relate to the three-dimensional framework?

Three-Dimensional Grammar Framework



Section 1: How is Grammar Taught?

A Three-Dimensional Grammar Framework and the Learning Process

Summarize the author's four insights regarding the learning process

- Learners do not learn constructions one at a time.
- Even when learners appear to have mastered a particular construction, it is not uncommon to find new errors being made.
- Language learners rely on knowledge they already have.
- Different learning processes are responsible for different aspects of language.

and choose one insight to illustrate through a role-play for the class.

Section 2: How is grammar learned?

Form, Meaning, and Use

• In her discussion of **form**, Larsen-Freeman writes that "the proper goal of grammar instruction should be **grammaring**" (p. 264).

Please explain this practice in your own words.

 The author gives specific examples of how to emphasize the three dimensions of grammar (form, meaning, use) in the classroom. Share these classroom activities

Form	Meaning	Use
Activities:	Activities:	Activities:

... and choose one to model for the rest of the group.

Section 3: How is grammar taught?

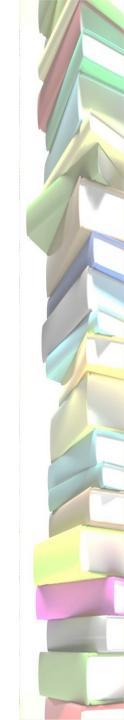
Explicit Grammar Instruction and Feedback

- Summarize Larsen-Freeman's discussion of four models for explicit grammar instruction.
 - Consciousness-raising
 - Garden path
 - Corpus-informed
 - Collaborative dialogues

Demonstrate an instructional activity for the rest of the group that uses one of these instructional models.

• "While rules provide some security for learners, reasons give them a deeper understanding of the logic of English and help them make it their own" (p. 268).

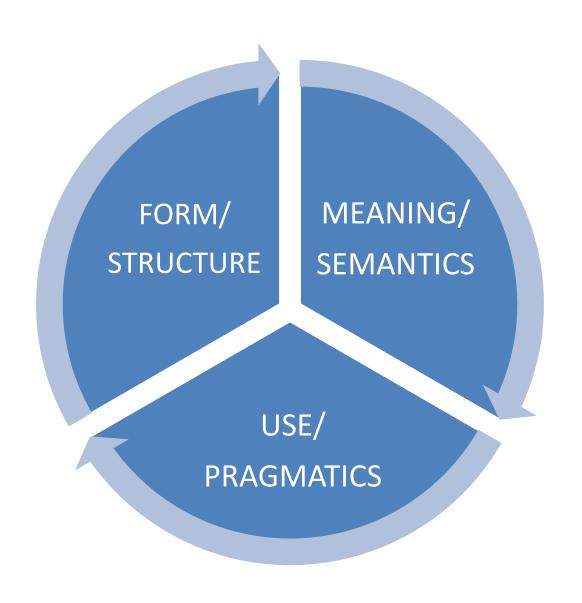
Explain this idea and how it can inform your own approach in teaching your ELLs.



Final Points on Teaching Grammar (Larsen-Freeman, 2014)

- Communicative approaches emphasize language use over rules of language use, and see language as dynamic rather than static.
- "We are teaching students as we are teaching grammar" (p. 257).
- We do not want our students to learn grammatical facts.
 What we hope to do is to help them use grammatical structures accurately, meaningfully, and appropriately.
- It is useful for teachers to have a grammar checklist rather than relying on a grammatical sequence.
- The three dimensions do not always need to be present in one lesson. The teacher prioritizes them depending on students' needs.

Three-Dimensional Grammar Framework



Lunch

