Learning Progression: Student Discourse Team Sedro-Woolley

Vocabulary: communicate, reasoning, demonstrate, recognize, norms, collaborate

Recognize the aspects of a positive classroom environment and demonstrate ability to participate in a positive classroom Demonstrate and communicate thinking and reasoning.

Demonstrate communication using the Pair – Share technique.

Participate in small learning communities



Participate in a whole class learning community.

Establish a productive classroom where discourse strengthens students' thinking and reasoning.

Success criteria:

I can...feel comfortable to share and work collaboratively:

- Be open minded
- Take turns
- Avoid judging
- Respond to ideas, not people

Formative Assessment Technique/s:

Teacher observation; Exit slip: What are the components of a positive work environment?

- Grade/rate the class
- Do you feel comfortable in this environment?
- Why or why not?

Success criteria:

I can...write or verbally explain my reasoning and thinking.

- Describe my thoughts in a thinking journal
- Use "I" statements
- Communicate reasoning by using words like "Why?" and "How?"
- Identify the components of thinking and reasoning

Formative Assessment Technique/s:

- Thinking journals
- Trade journals

Success criteria: I can...use the Pair-Share technique.

- Actively listen
- Ask clarifying questions
- Restate ideas and check for understanding/con -firm with speaker

Formative Assessment Technique/s:

- Teacher observation
- Student checklist

Success criteria:

I can...communicate my reasoning and thinking to other members in a small learning group.

- Use group roles
- Abide by group norms
- Build on Pair—
 Share as previously mentioned

Formative Assessment Technique/s:

- Teacher observation
- Group checklist
- Jigsaw -- Group verbal report

Success criteria:

I can...communicate my reasoning and thinking to members of a whole class learning community.

- Use group roles
- Abide by group norms
- Build on the groups' thinking and reasoning

Formative Assessment Technique/s:

- Teacher observation
- Partner checklist
- Fishbowl



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