### Using Flipgrid to Promote Learning Strategies and Foster Community

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• Learning in the classroom

• Community in the classroom

• Putting it all together



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# Flipgrid



#### EMPOWER EVERY VOICE



Q Search Groups



Create a Group

#### Discussion

Start a Group or share a Topic with your learning community.

Groups Topics

#### 5 Groups

Start Groups for your classes, clubs, family or friends.

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# Flipgrid Recap

- Free educational technology platform<sup>1</sup>
- Ability to create different groups (for different classes) and different topics (for different assignments)

• Lots of functions and flexibility

• Questions?



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# **Quick Poll**

• As a *student*, did anyone ever teach you how to study? What did they tell you to do?

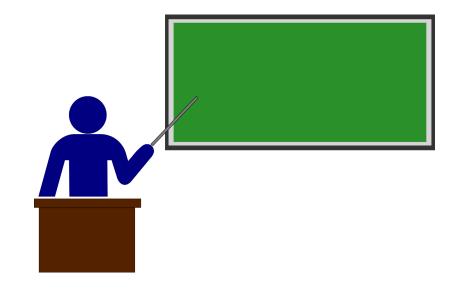


• As an *instructor*, do you talk to your students about how to study?



#### What should students do to learn best?





# How can instructors help students to learn best?

# Learning in the Classroom

• Concrete examples

• Elaboration

• Metacognitive reflection

• Retrieval practice

• Spaced practice

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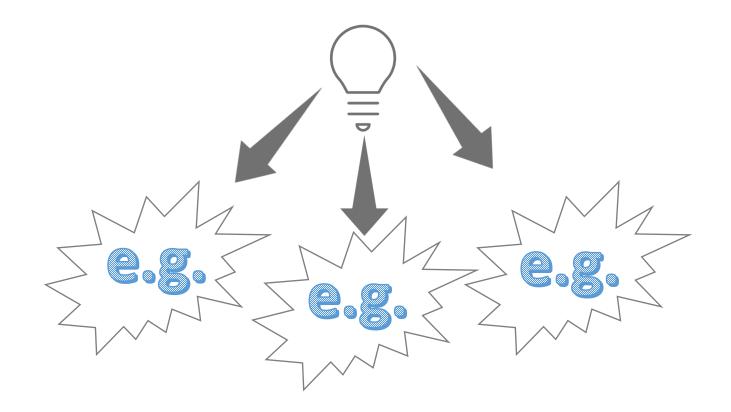
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#### Concrete Examples: What is it?

• Give specific examples of abstract concepts



#### Elaboration: What is it?

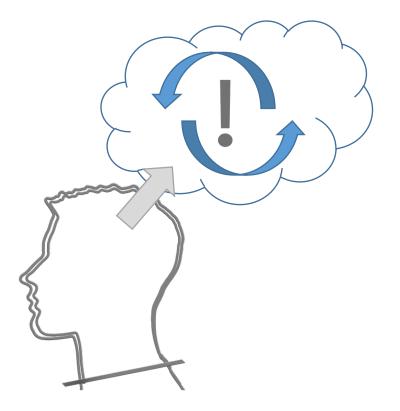
• Adding new information to an existing memory



<sup>3</sup> Pressley, McDaniel, Turnure, Wood, & Ahmad (1987)

#### Metacognitive Reflection: What is it?

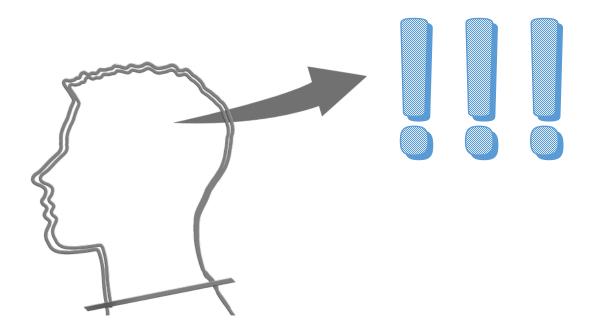
• Planning, monitoring, and evaluating of learning



<sup>4</sup> Edlund (2020)

#### Retrieval Practice: What is it?

• Bringing information from memory to mind



### Spaced Practice: What is it?

• Spreading out the study of information across multiple sessions



<sup>7</sup> Kornell (2009)

### Learning in the Classroom Recap

 Research demonstrates effectiveness of several learning strategies<sup>7</sup>

• Questions?



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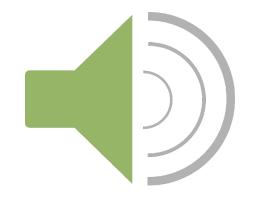
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"The learning experience of every student and the effectiveness of every teacher is influenced by what goes on among and between people who populate the classroom"

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Outline expectations

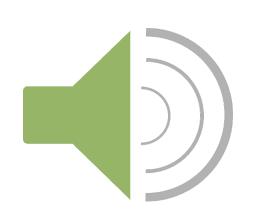




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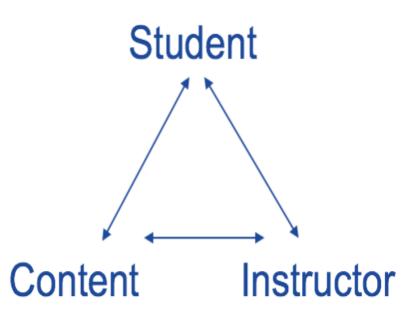
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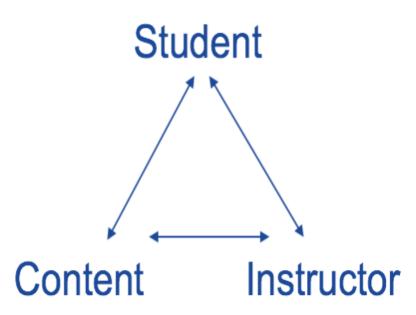




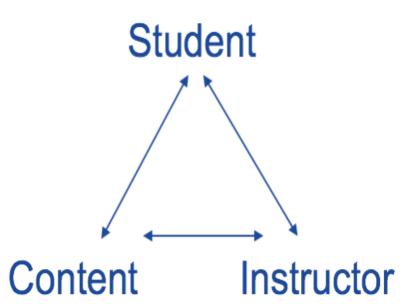
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  - $\circ$  student-to-content



- Facilitates academic engagement<sup>10</sup>
- Related to persistence<sup>11</sup>
- Increased motivation, enjoyment, and learning<sup>12,13</sup>

# Community in the Classroom Recap

• Promote a positive climate

• Think about all three levels

• Recognize importance of community

• Questions?



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Welcome to PSYC 111! Introduce yourself in 90 seconds or less while answering the following questions:

1. What is your name?

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# **Fostering Community**

- About Me! assignments

   Introduce yourself
   Tidbits
   Favorites
- Encourage students to watch (and respond) to other student videos



# Promoting Learning Strategies: Concrete Examples

• Generate-your-own-examples assignment

#### Generate Your Own Examples

#### Overview

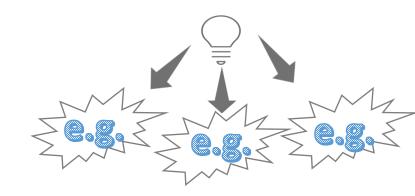
Coming up with real-life examples for abstract concepts can help you learn those concepts. For this assignment, please provide the definition and generate <u>one</u> example for each of the following concepts we talked about in class this week.

- 1. Hindsight bias
- 2. Confirmation bias
- 3. Representative bias
- 4. Availability heuristic

### Promoting Learning Strategies: Concrete Examples

• Generate-your-own-examples assignment

• Ask students to recall examples you provided in class



### Promoting Learning Strategies: Elaboration

Weekly Application assignment

Weekly Applications

#### Overview

An important aspect of learning is making connections between existing knowledge and new information. Additionally, one goal of our course is to help students learn about how psychology applies to their everyday life. To facilitate this process, you will complete 1-minute weekly applications on the material covered in class. Applications will consist of responding to a prompt that asks you to talk about how something we learned in class relates to your own life. Over the course of the semester, you will complete 10 weekly applications. In each of your applications, please respond to this prompt:

- Please **explain** how the material we covered in class this week relates to something you have learned in another class and/or experiences you have had outside of school

HOW... ? WHY..

### Promoting Learning Strategies: Elaboration

- Weekly Application assignment
- How/why discussion prompts



# Promoting Learning Strategies: Metacognitive Reflection

Reflection assignment

Reflections

#### Overview

An important aspect of learning is engaging in self-reflection. To facilitate this process, you will complete 2minute reflections on the material covered in class. Reflections will consist of answering four short questions. Over the course of the semester, you need to complete 4 section reflections. In each of your reflections, please answer these questions:

- 1. How well do you think you understood the concepts we discussed from this section of class?
- 2. What do you think were two of the most important concepts from this section of class? Be sure to define the concepts!
- 3. What do you think was <u>the most confusing or challenging concept</u> from this section of class? Please **explain** what you found confusing or challenging about the concept!
- 4. Why do you think I asked you to learn the content we covered in this section of class?



# Promoting Learning Strategies: Metacognitive Reflection

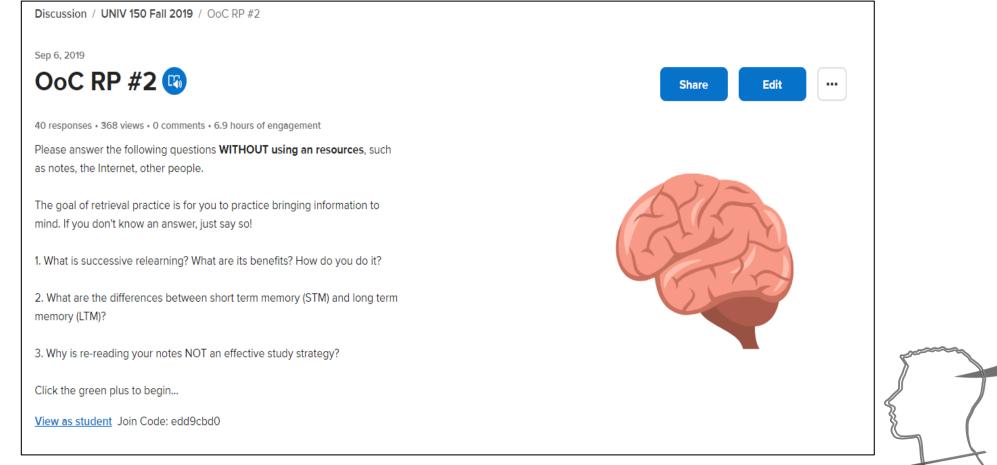
• Reflection assignment

• Metacognitive prompts each week



#### Promoting Learning Strategies: Retrieval Practice

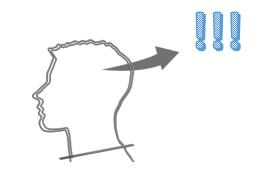
Out-of-class-retrieval-practice assignment



#### Promoting Learning Strategies: Retrieval Practice

• Out-of-class-retrieval-practice assignment

• Incorporate into other Flipgrid assignments



### Promoting Learning Strategies: Spaced Practice

• Inherent in almost any assignment!



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