Teacher Design Knowledge for Technology Enhanced Learning

Ontwerpkennis van leerkrachten voor ICT-rijke leren

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Introduction

- Welcome
- Focus
- Who's who



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About today's session

- Why offer this session?
- Goals for the next hour
 - Exposure
 - Sensitization
 - Stimulation
 - Why not knowledge transfer?
- Origins of the session content

Teacher Design Knowledge for Technology Enhanced Learning: A workshop at the Welten conference on learning, teaching and technology: Theory and practice 7 November, 2014, Explayon, Endhower, the Netherlands

Facilitator: Susan McKenney

Purpose: To explore ways of supporting the work of teachers as designers of technology enhanced learning given a design scenario from, or near, participants' own experiences. Structure: Introduction (15 min), parallel discussions (30 min), plenary discussion (15 min) Tool: An ecological framework: for conceptualizing teacher knowledge for technology enhanced learning design. Derived from a synthesis of existing research in classical design fields, instructional design, and teacher design of technology enhanced learning, the framework can be used: (a) by researchers to study teacher design knowledge and work across projects; and/or (b) by developers and facilitators identifying key areas to encourage/support in teacher professional development programs that involve teacher-designers in specific settings.

| Transferable teacher knowledge | Powerful design heuristics | Teacher-designer consciousness and situated experience | Realistic understanding of design practices |
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| Know-what (fundamental knowledge base) | What is design thinking and which models or frameworks are likely to be most useful for teachers in a given situation? | What intuitive knowledge, awareness and experiences do teachers bring with them to design technology. enhanced.learning? | What do teachers typically consider when designing technology enhanced learning and what issues do they typically overlook? |
| Know-why (productive beliefs) | Why is teachers' careful attention to shaping design processes (before and during their enactment), critical for successful outcomes? | Why are teachers more and less aware of their own decision-making rationales in certain situations? | Why do teacher designers make certain kinds of design decisions and how does this change with experience? |
| Know-how (repertoire for action) | How do healthy design processes proceed (and how similar or different are they from the natural design inclinations of teachers?) | How do teacher design schemas develop and how does this relate to their own intuitive knowledge? | How do teachers use their TPACK during design and in what ways does this influence their overall pedagogical design capacity? |
| Know-when (judgment of ideas and processes in various contexts) | When should teachers choose, re-assess or change a particular approach to guide the design process? | When do teachers decide to improvise and when are one's own ideas put to use, given the setting and goals? | When do teachers base decisions on tacit (rather than reflective) knowledge, and when do they draw on (other) design expertise? |
| Know-who (awaseness for consulting relevant expertise) | Who should teachers consult for guidance on design processes and/or the products of design in certain contexts? | Who might enrich and inspire teacher awareness or educational connoisseurship? | Who do teachers consult during different stages of design work and for which main purposes? |

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Gearing up

Group member experiences with teachers as designers?

• Let's form 6 teams around similar types of

experiences



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Let's work

- Rotating stations: three sessions, 10 min each
 - Powerful design heuristics
 - Teacher-designer consciousness and situated experience
 - Realistic understanding of design practices
- Teams choose which/how many prompts to discuss





Let's discuss

Overall impressions?

- Questions to group:
 - In what ways did the framework prompts help you explore the design work in your team's case?
 - How might the framework or these activities be improved?
 - Interested in continuing this exploration? How?



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This workshop and the framework discussed are based on the following publication: McKenney, S., Kali, Y., Mauriskaite, L. & Voogt, J. (under review). *Teacher Design Knowledge for Technology Enhanced Learning: An ecological framework for investigating assets and needs.*

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