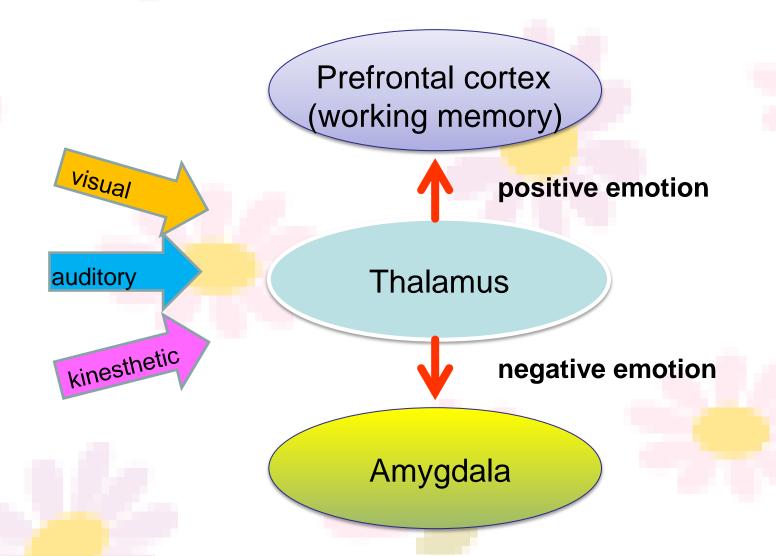
### Effective Approaches to Teaching

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#### Outline

- Quantum Learning
- Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP)
- Balanced Literacy
- The Daily 5
- Teaching Alphabets with American Sign Language

## Quantum Learning



#### Quantum Learning

- Teachers should create a positive learning environment.
- Students will learn better when they feel safe and supported.
- Students will learn to take responsibility.

- A strategy to support classroom teachers and English learners
- A research-based method which helps English learners acquire academic knowledge as they develop English language proficiency

- Guided by eight elements—
  - Meaningful activities
  - Connecting students backgrounds to the lesson
  - Vocabulary comprehensible to the students
  - Explicit instructional techniques with appropriate levels of support

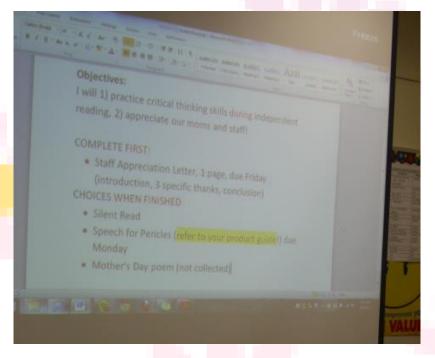
- Frequent opportunities for the student to interact
- Use of hands-on activities
- Lessons delivered at an appropriate pace
- Feedback and assessment provided for the student

- Activity The Wright Family
  - Grab a pen or a pencil
  - Form a circle with 4~5 people
  - When you hear
    - "right" → pass your pen or pencil to the right
    - "left" → pass your pen or pencil to the left

The presentation of learning objectives is

important.

Example:



Four skills are all integrated

#### **Balanced Literacy**

- Two modes: reading and writing
- Reading and writing are both important
- Reading: shared reading, guided reading, independent reading and reading aloud
- Writing: shared writing, guided writing, independent writing and word study

## **Balanced Literacy**



**Shared Reading** 



**Guided Reading** 



Independent Reading



**Reading Aloud** 

### **Balanced Literacy**



**Shared Writing** 



**Guided Writing** 



Independent Writing



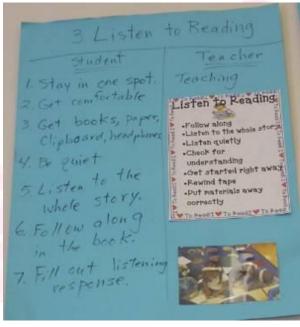
Word Study

#### The Daily 5

- Helping students develop the daily habits
   of reading, writing, and working with peers
   → a lifetime of independent literacy
- Five elements: read to self, read to someone, listen to reading, work on writing and word work
- Fitting well with the balanced literacy

### The Daily 5







# The Daily 5







Read to Self

Read to Someone

Listen to Reading



Work on Writing



Work Work

### Sign Language

- To normal baby or deaf baby, language appears earlier in the form of sign language than the oral form.
- Children using sign language are good at language development (Toth, 2009).
- Halmstad Elementary school in Sweden found through the sign language class, normal children communicate better with deaf children, and accidentally found the learning ability of normal children is also making progress.

#### American Sign Language

- ASL is the most popular sign language in America, English-speaking parts of Canada and some parts in Mexico.
- ASL is regarded as the fourth most popular language in America.
- More and more elementary schools, junior high schools, and university students begin to learn ASL.

### American Sign Language



Picture retrieved from https://itunes.apple.com/us/book/american-sign-language/id667140172

# Teaching Alphabets with American Sign Language (ASL)

- ASL club in Jane Addams Junior High School (film)
- Kindergarten in Ball State University (film)
  - Combine phonics with alphabet
  - -/p/, /p/, pig, P P P

### Bring It Home

- Quantum Learning (sense of security)
- SIOP (objectives presentation)
- Teaching alphabets with ASL

#### Reflection

- I have learned a lot from this trip although not all of the teaching methods can be applied into our classroom.
- Thank a lot of people for their help.
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