



Beyond Identification



The Gifted Language Bridge:
Enhancing Multilingual Learner
Curriculum and Instruction



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Practical
Strategies
to Enhance
Gifted
EL/ML
Education

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Developmental
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Provide
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- Curriculum
- English Learner
- Gifted

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**Lusk-Langley
Gifted Language Standard Bridge**
Address Developmental Distinctions
Provide Scaffolds and Resources
Increase Cognitive Complexity

Find your standards...

- State curriculum standards
- State EL standards
- [Link to the NAGC standards](#)



Examine the Standards

Opportunities to

- Address content
- Enhance EL learning
- Include rigor



Lusk-Langley Gifted Language Standard Bridge



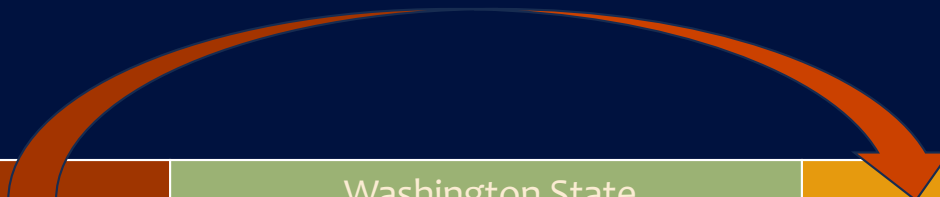
Content Standards

- State standards
- Common Core Standards
- Curriculum Frameworks
- Topics
- Domains
- Disciplines

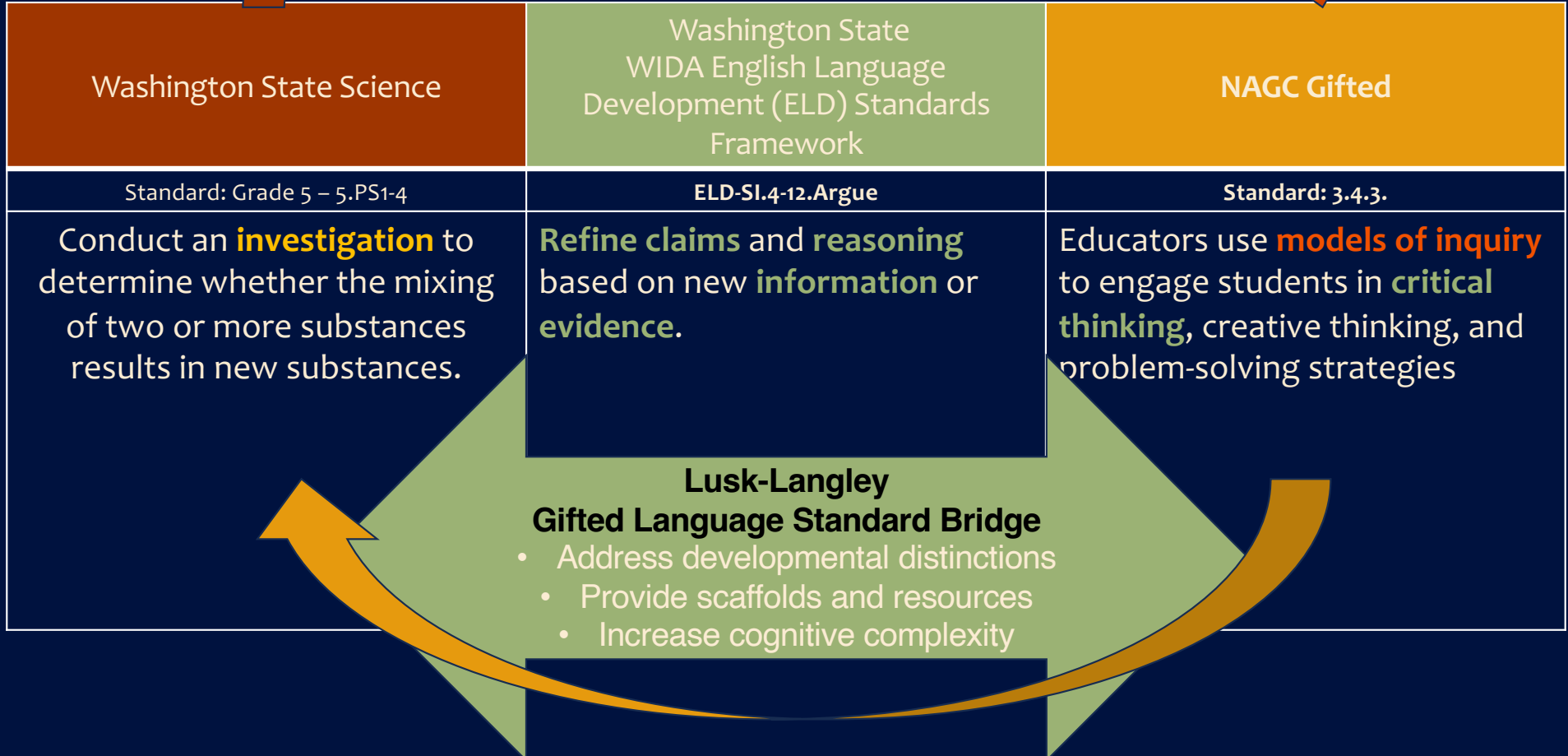
Washington State Science

Standard: Grade 5 – 5.PS1-4

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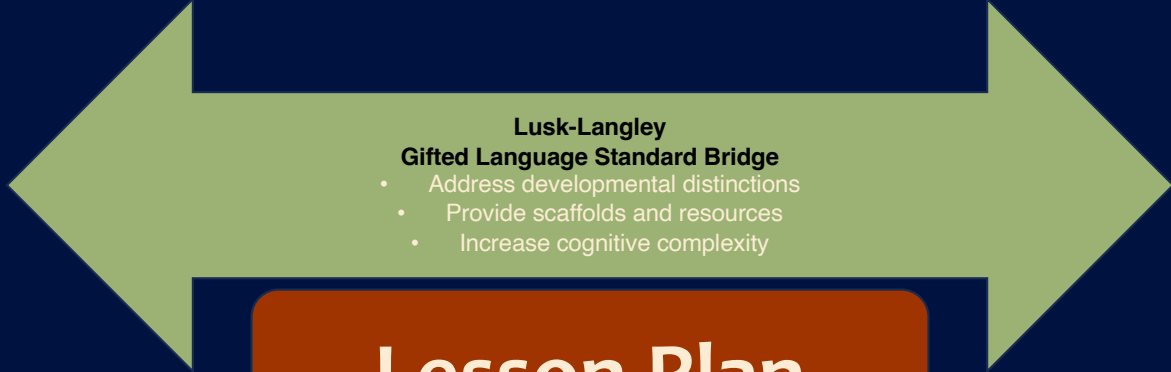




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- Provide scaffolds and resources
- Increase cognitive complexity

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Content, EL, and Gifted Standards

- WA Science Standard
- Washington ELD Standard
- NAGC Gifted Standard

Sample Lesson Objectives & Activity

Objectives:

Discussion:

Experiment: *Procedure* – Have small groups of students...

Depth of Knowledge Questioning (Webb, 1997)

Level 3.

Level 4.

Science: Change - Grades K–2

Content, EL, and Gifted Standards

- **WA Science Standard: Grade 2-PS1-1.** Plan and conduct an **investigation** to describe and classify different kinds of materials by their observable properties
- **Washington ELD-SI.4-12.** Argue : Begin to use **data from observations as evidence for their claims**
- **NAGC Gifted Standard: 3.4.3.** Educators use **models of inquiry** to engage students in **critical thinking**, creative thinking, and problem- solving strategies

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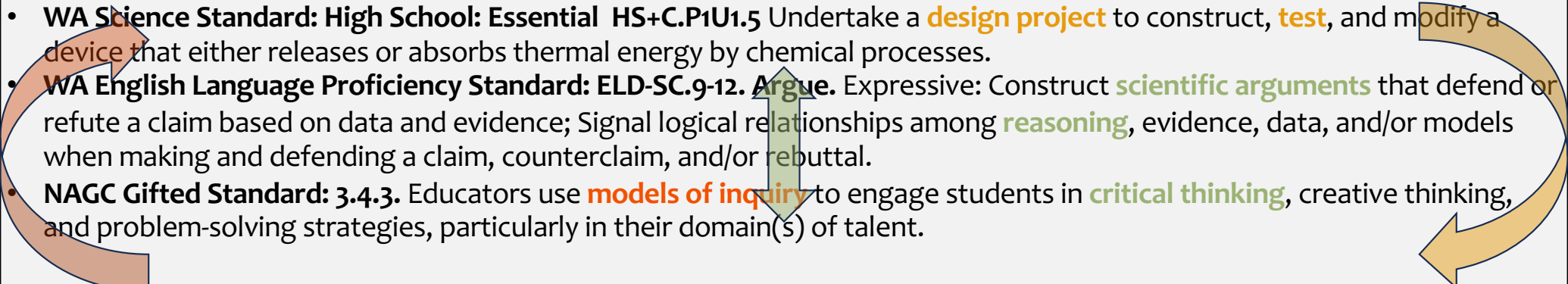
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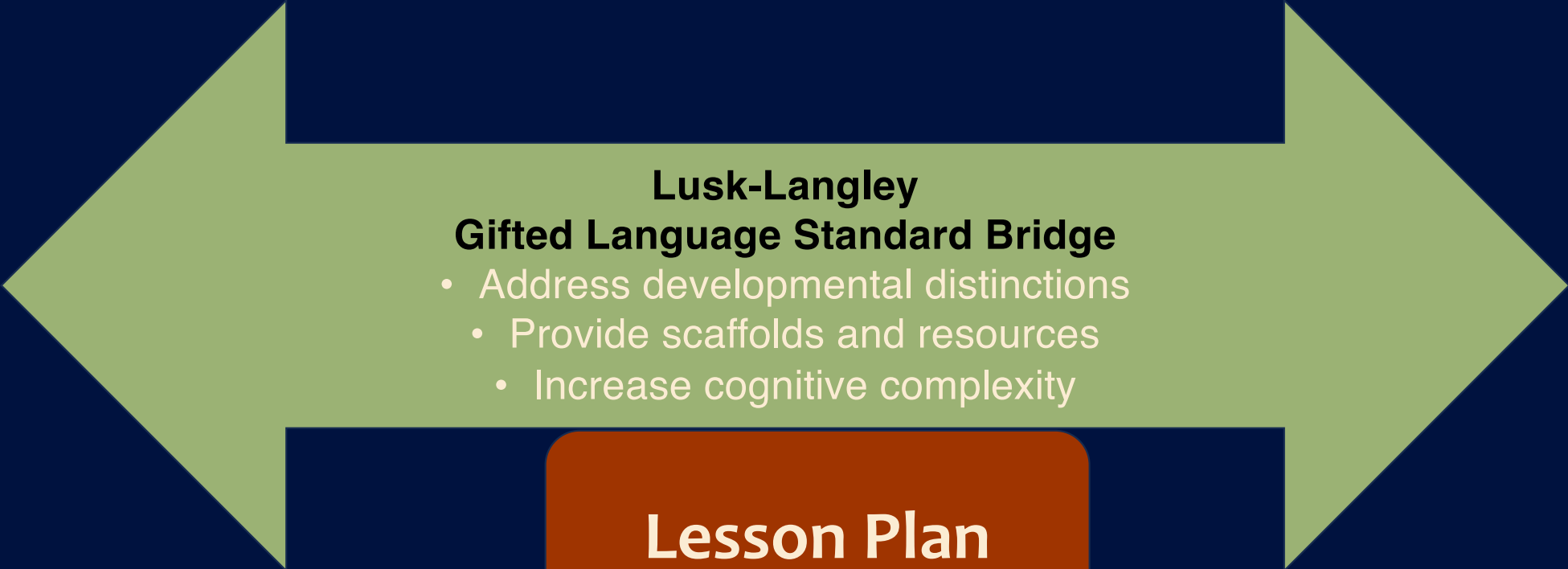
Content, EL, and Gifted Standards

- **WA Science Standard: Grade 5 – 5.PS1-4** Conduct an **investigation** to determine whether the **mixing of two or more substances** results in new substances.
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- **NAGC Gifted Standard: 3.4.3.** Educators use **models of inquiry** to engage students **in critical thinking, creative thinking, and problem-solving strategies**

Science: Change – High School

Content, EL, and Gifted Standards

- **WA Science Standard: High School: Essential HS+C.P1U1.5** Undertake a **design project** to construct, **test**, and modify a device that either releases or absorbs thermal energy by chemical processes.
 - **WA English Language Proficiency Standard: ELD-SC.9-12. Argue.** Expressive: Construct **scientific arguments** that defend or refute a claim based on data and evidence; Signal logical relationships among **reasoning**, evidence, data, and/or models when making and defending a claim, counterclaim, and/or rebuttal.
 - **NAGC Gifted Standard: 3.4.3.** Educators use **models of inquiry** to engage students in **critical thinking**, creative thinking, and problem-solving strategies, particularly in their domain(s) of talent.
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Thank you!

Questions?

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Javits Project EAGLE
Eliciting Advanced Gifted Learning Evidence

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SURPLUS OLDER SLIDES IF NEEDED



Elementary School

- Tiered texts
- Singing/acting
- Free play (Markova, 2017)
- Embedded vocabulary (Albaladejo Albaladejo et al., 2018)
- Exploratory talk and reasoning (Mercer et al., 1999) >



Middle School

- Concurrent development of content/language (Yoon, 2021)
- Instructional conversations (Saunders & Goldenberg, 1999)
- Sensitivity to peer dynamics (Townsend, 2009)
- Increased agency to promote growth (Braden et al., 2016)
- Curriculum-focused trade/comic books (Tretter et al., 2019)
- Linguistically supportive content models (Reeves, 2006)
- Cooperative learning (Flores & Smith, 2013)
- Functional vocabulary (Tretter et al., 2019)
- Structured academic talk (Abbot & Hastings, 2012) >



High School

- Support for college prep and Advanced Placement (Abbot & Hastings, 2012; Graefe & Ritchotte, 2019)
- Structured note-taking (e.g., Cornell notes)
- Gradual shift to English (Flores & Smith, 2013) >





- Access advanced content
- Develop academic English
- Engaging in rigorous thinking and learning

Needs

Scaffolds

Strengths

Resources

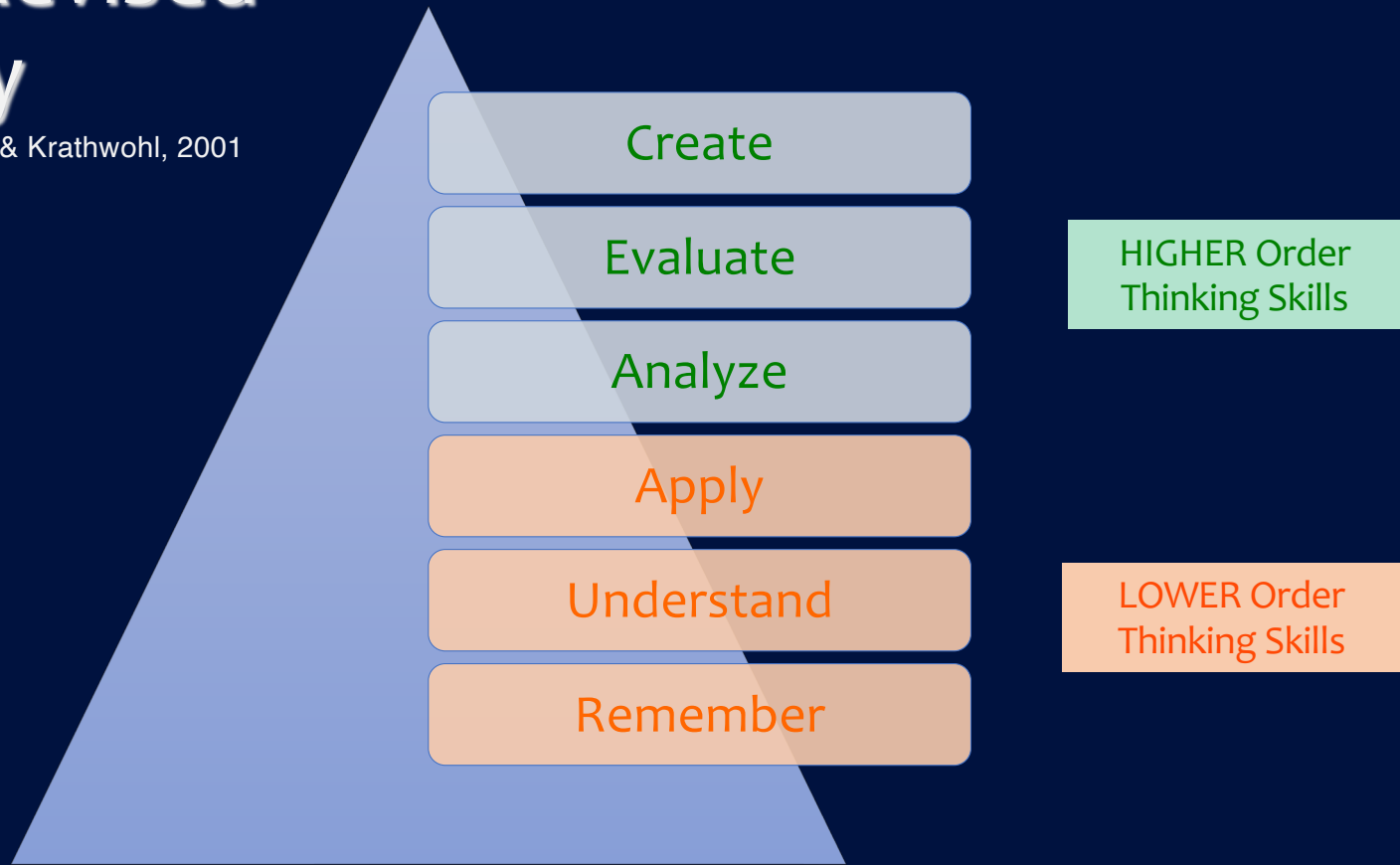


- Bloom's Taxonomy
- Webb's Depth of Knowledge



Bloom's Revised Taxonomy

Anderson & Krathwohl, 2001



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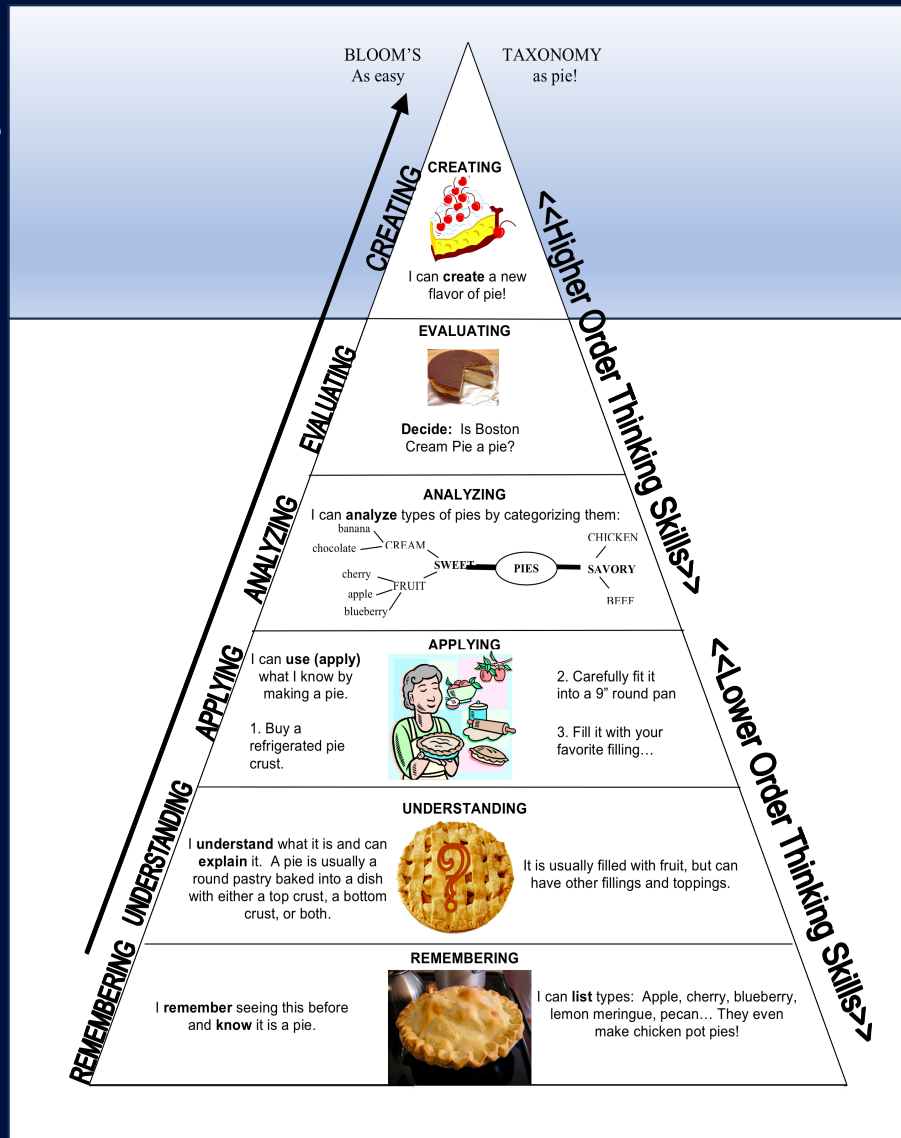
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Overlap

Context matters:
DOK*

* Depth of Knowledge

REVISED Bloom's Taxonomy Action Verbs

Definitions	I. Remembering	II. Understanding	III. Applying	IV. Analyzing	V. Evaluating	VI. Creating
Bloom's Definition	Exhibit memory of previously learned material by recalling facts, terms, basic concepts, and answers.	Demonstrate understanding of facts and ideas by organizing, comparing, translating, interpreting, giving descriptions, and stating main ideas.	Solve problems to new situations by applying acquired knowledge, facts, techniques and rules in a different way.	Examine and break information into parts by identifying motives or causes. Make inferences and find evidence to support generalizations.	Present and defend opinions by making judgments about information, validity of ideas, or quality of work based on a set of criteria.	Compile information together in a different way by combining elements in a new pattern or proposing alternative solutions.
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Webb's Depth of Knowledge (1997)

Are students expected to

- Acquire knowledge (**DOK-1**)?
- Apply knowledge (**DOK-2**)?
- Analyze knowledge (**DOK-3**)?
- Augment knowledge (**DOK-4**)?

(Francis, 2017)





DOK at a Glance

One correct answer?

- **DOK 1**
 - Know it (can find it) or not
- **DOK 2**
 - More than one concept
 - If/then; cause/effect


More than one correct answer requiring evidence?

- **DOK 3**
 - Interpret
 - Supporting evidence
 - Reasoning
- **DOK 4**
 - DOK 3
 - Additional sources
 - Initiate and complete project

Increasing Webb's Depth of Complexity

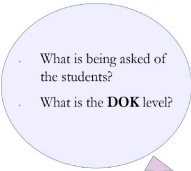
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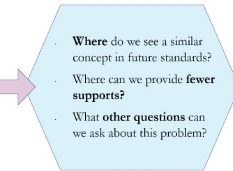
BUMPing UP: A 3-Step Method to Increase Cognitive Complexity for Advanced Learners 

How can we increase the complexity of this math problem? A photographer has files saved in three online albums. The Wedding album has 2,073 files. The Birthday album has 1,860 files. The Pets album has 2,370 files. Which album has the most files? Show your work. Hint: You might want to use a place-value chart to compare these numbers (Curriculum Associates, 2015)

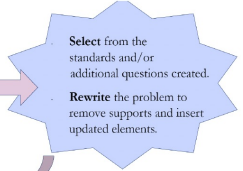
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2. Determine



3. Construct



Re-Evaluate
Now that you have leveled-up the question, re-evaluate what students are being asked to do at the new DOK level.

1 analyze Currently, what is this question asking the student to do?

- Compare place value
- Order numbers least to greatest

Currently, what is the DOK of this problem?

DOK 2: Classifying a number and requiring students to make an informed decision using multiple steps to solve.

2 determine Looking Ahead: When will we see a similar concept like this in the future?

- Comparing and ordering decimals

Where can we provide fewer supports?

- Eliminate the hint

What other questions can we ask?

- Show **two** ways to answer the question
- Use a diagram to help you solve this problem
- Order the files from least to greatest
- Give students the chance to use new math vocabulary (least/greatest) and symbols (<,>=)
- Allow students to see that "most" is the same as "greatest"

3 construct How can we implement these questions? (Building the new problem)

a. Order the files from least to greatest. Then, describe how you thought up an order for the numbers.

b. Now, think of another way to compare the number of files in each album. What makes this way different than the first way you solved this problem?

c. After ordering the number of files, which album has the greatest (or most) number of files? Which album has the least (or smallest) number of files?

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(Dulong Langley et al., 2022)

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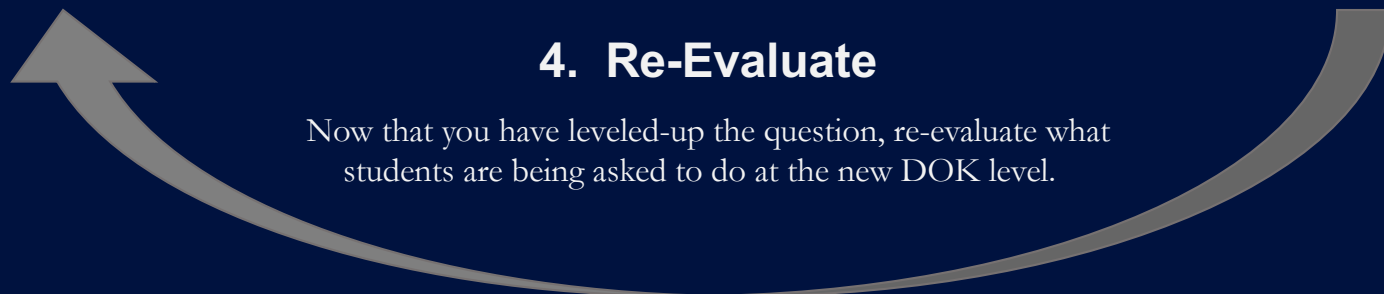
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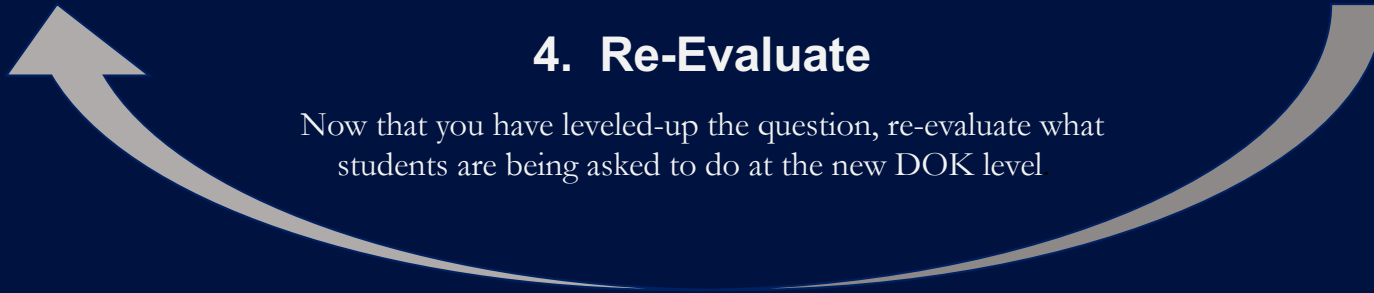
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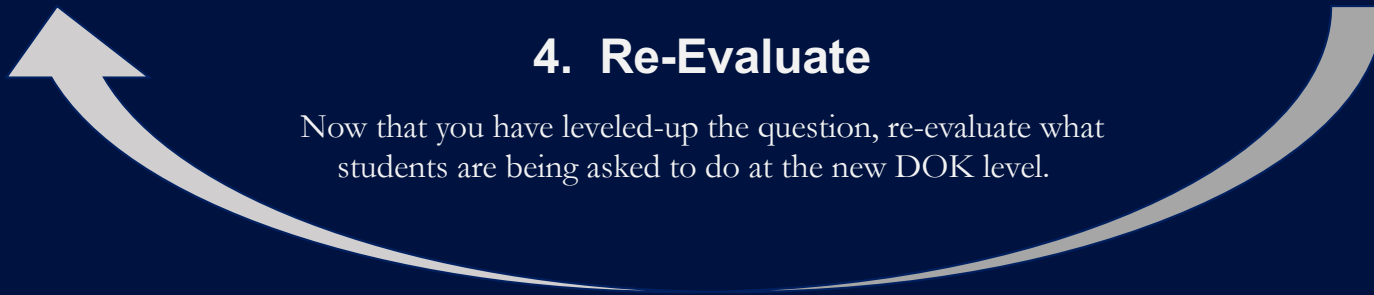
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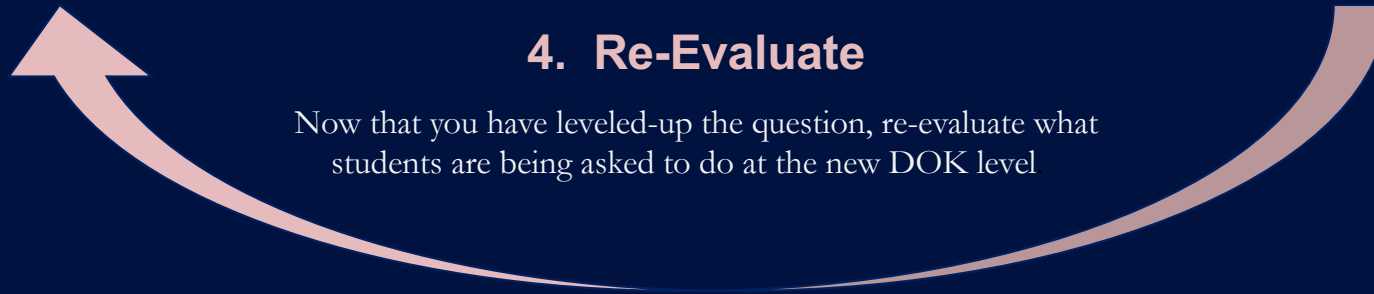
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Arizona English Language Proficiency Standard: 2.SL.4 Produce complete sentences when appropriate to task and situation to provide requested detail or clarification.

NAGC Gifted Standard: 3.4.3 Educators use models of inquiry to engage students in critical thinking, creative thinking, and problem-solving strategies.

Sample Lesson Objectives & Activity

Objectives: Students will (a) use complete sentences to determine and explain what qualifies an item as a solid, liquid, or gas; and (b) use problem-solving strategies to conduct a matter experiment.

Discussion: After an introduction to states of matter, have students describe, discuss, and determine the states of matter of various objects. Provide them with items...

Experiment: Procedure - Have small groups of students...

Depth of Knowledge Questioning (Webb, 1997)

Level 3. How is gas related to liquid?
Level 3. Can you elaborate on the reason this item qualifies as a solid, liquid, or gas?
Level 4. Create steps for testing if an item is a solid, liquid or gas. How would you explain this to someone? What makes it qualify for one category more than another?

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