WHAT IS THE ROLE OF CREATIVITY AND CULTURAL LEARNING IN SCHOOLS?

Is England stuck in the slow lane?

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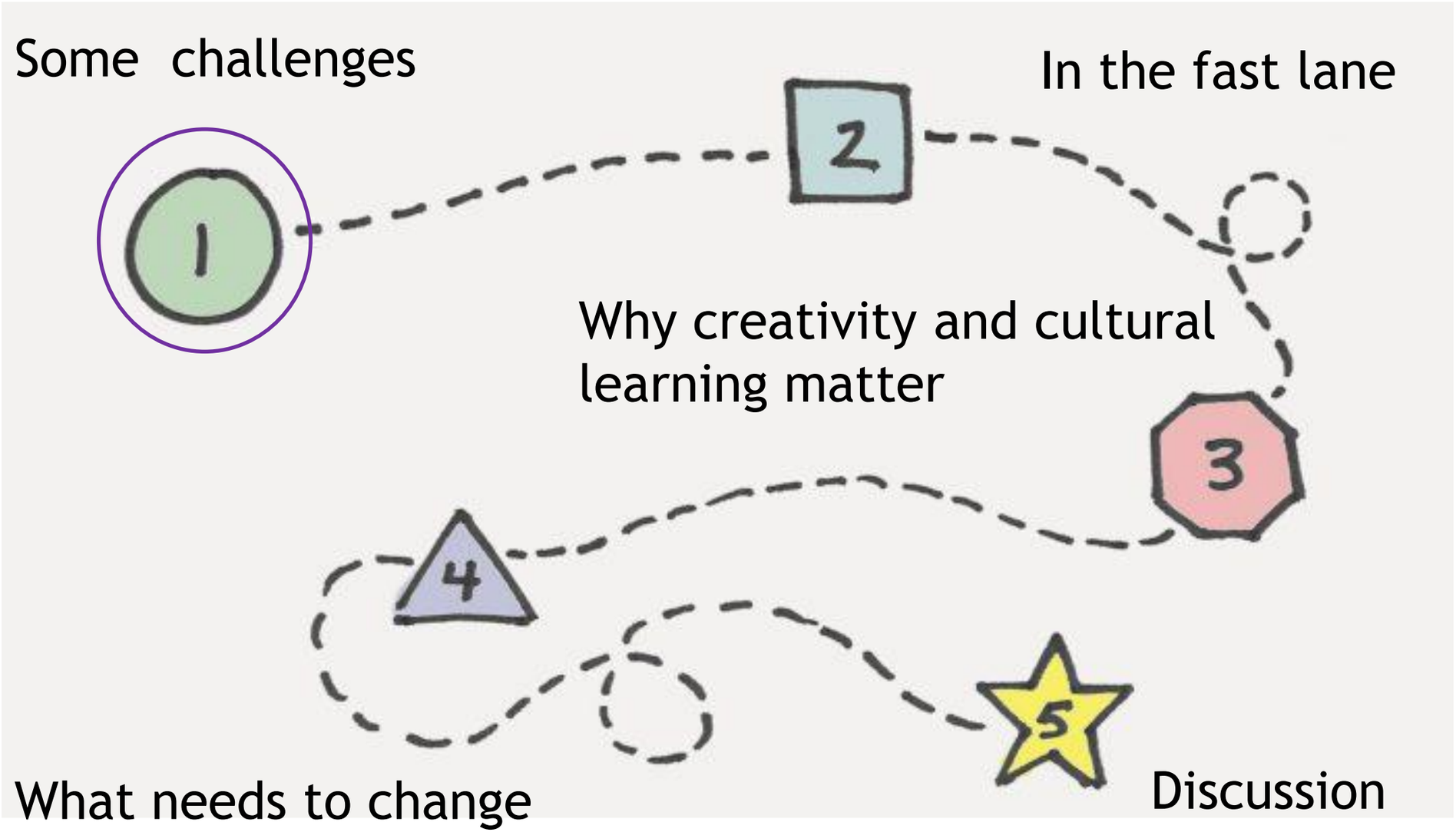
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In the fast lane
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Why creativity and cultural learning matter
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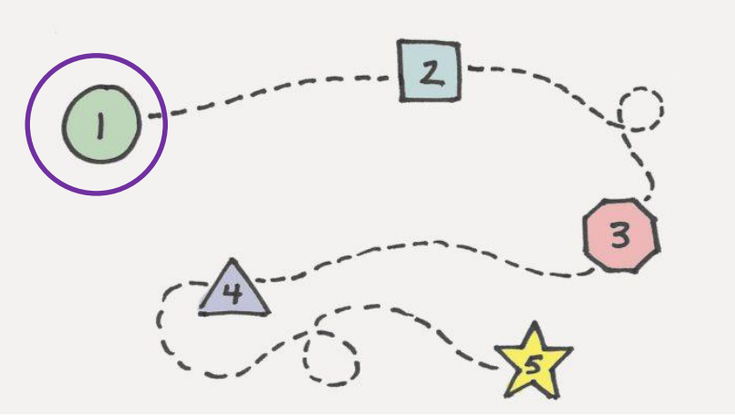
What needs to change
Discussion

What is a quality education?



1. Some challenges

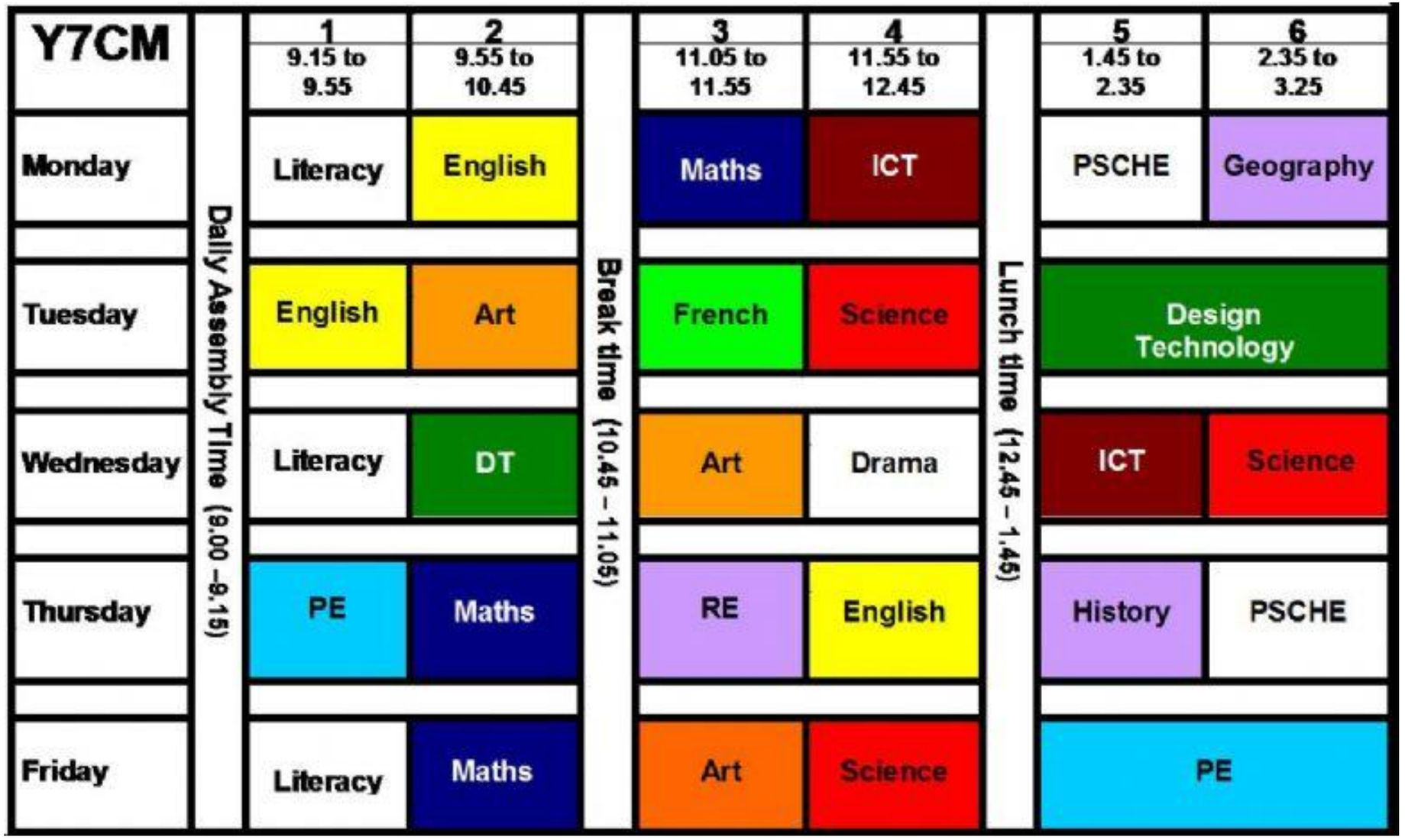
Cultural learning is an active engagement with the creation of our arts and heritage

Cultural Learning Alliance

Creativity: The capacity to imagine, conceive, express or make something that was not there before

Durham Commission on Creativity and Education

Creativity and cultural learning on the timetable?



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Friday		Literacy	Maths		Art	Science		PE	

Bad news, there's something called 'Lifelong learning'
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Leading educational change

Why we need to st talking about tw century skills

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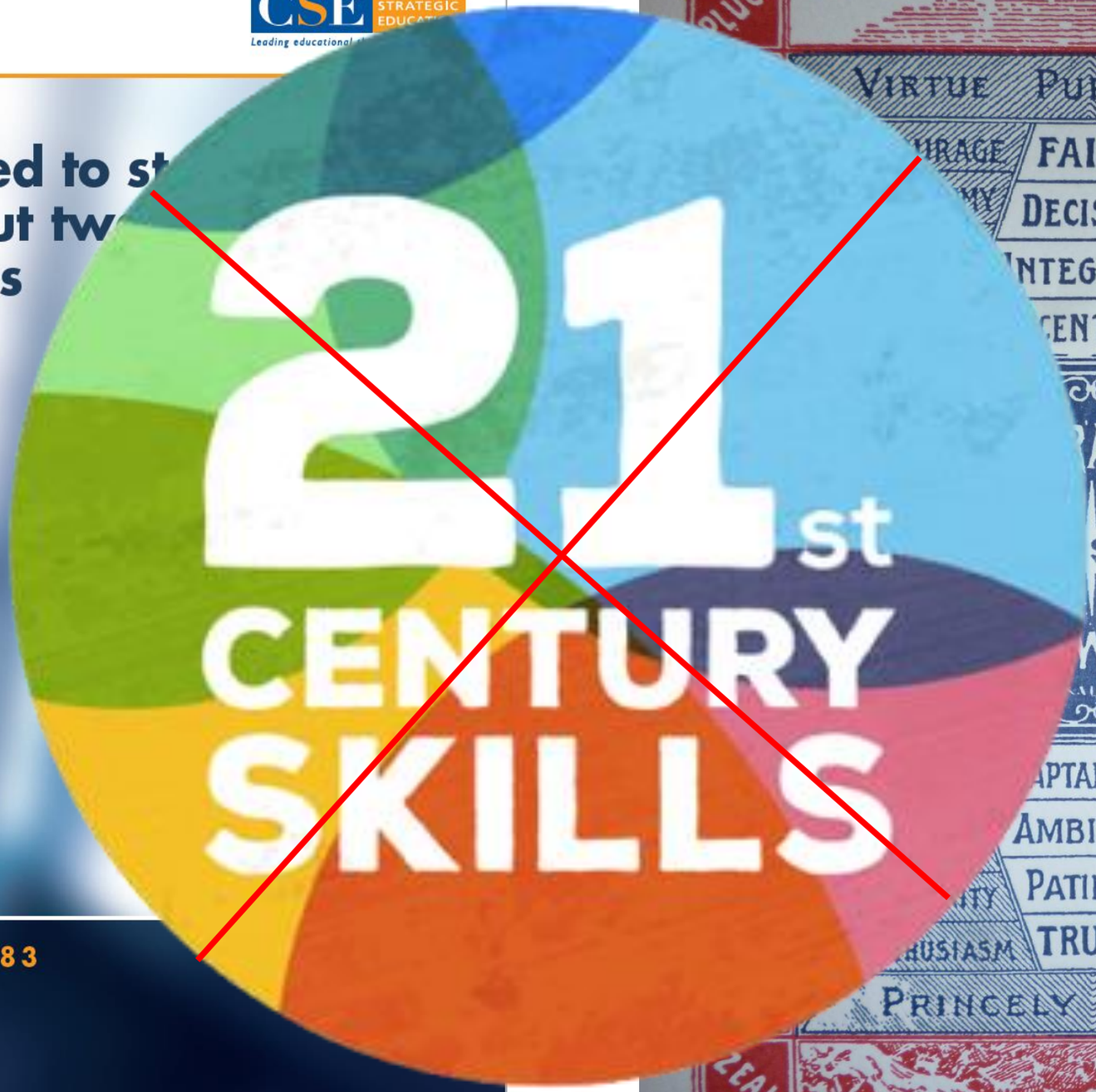
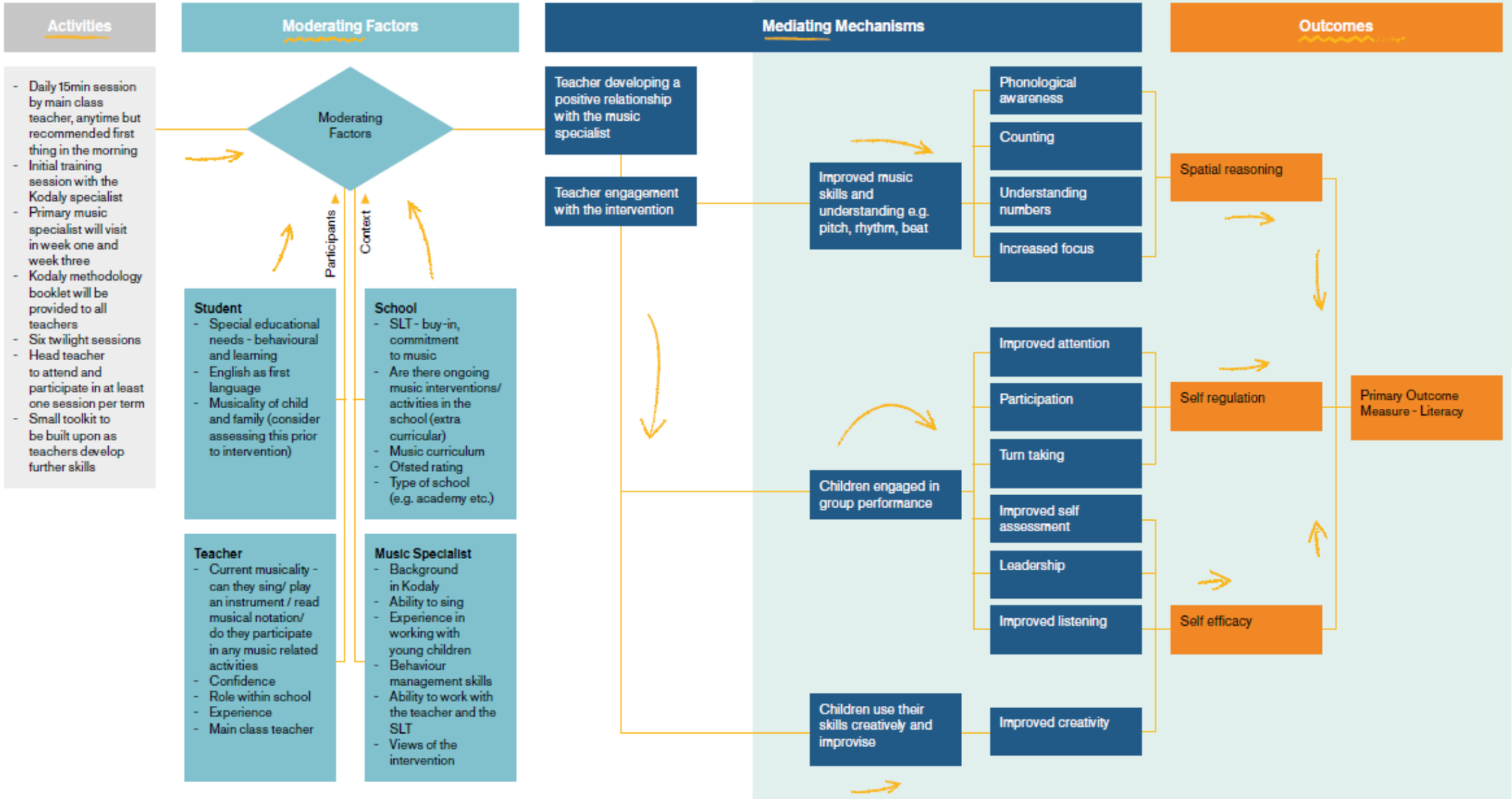
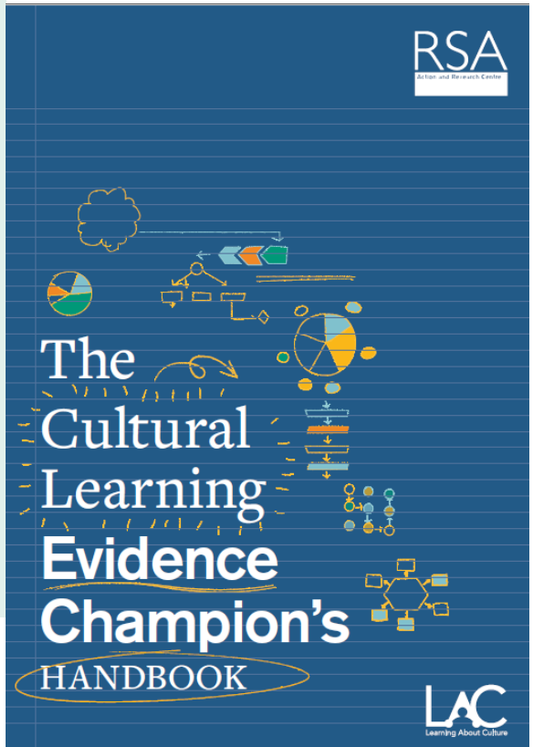
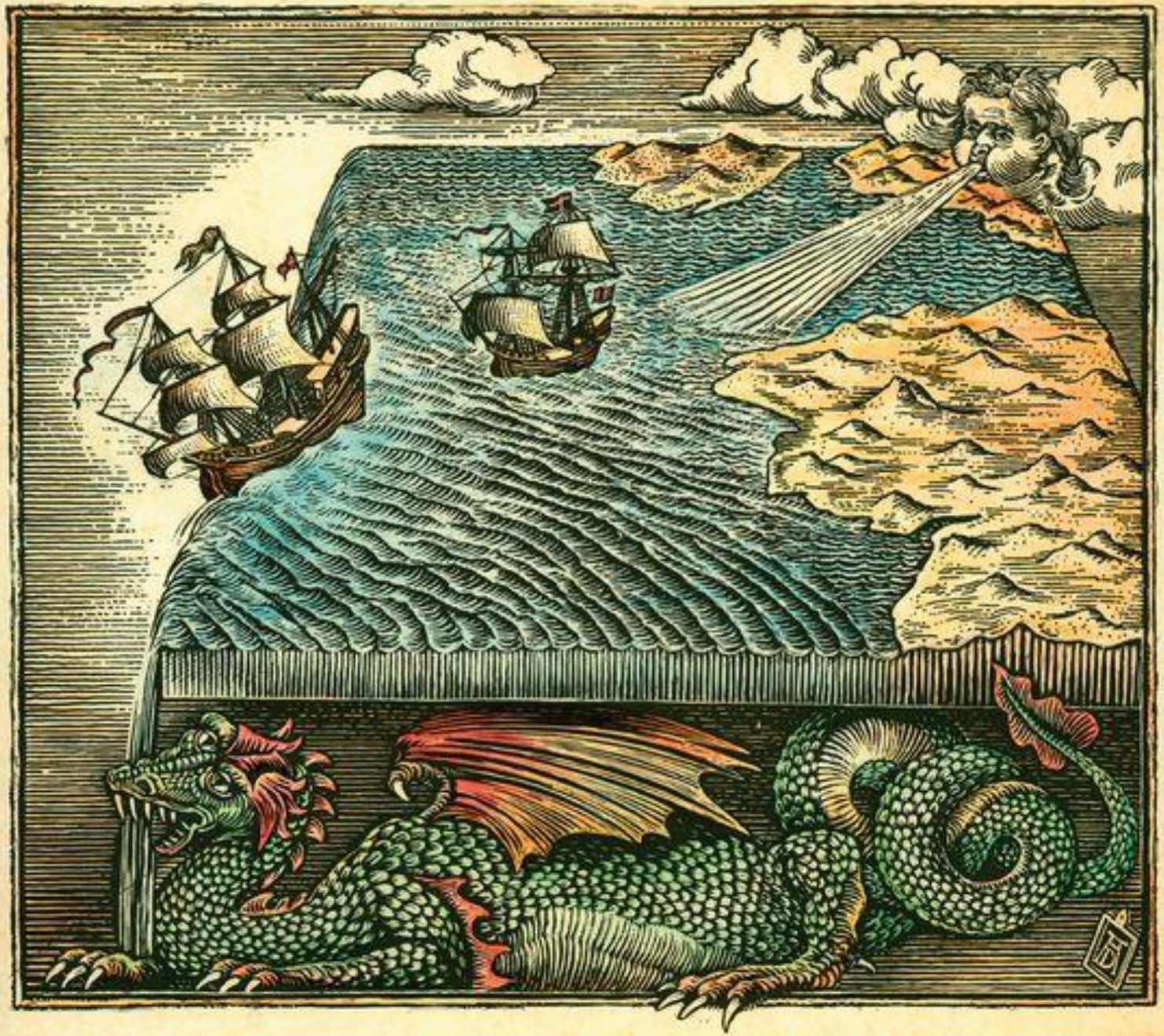
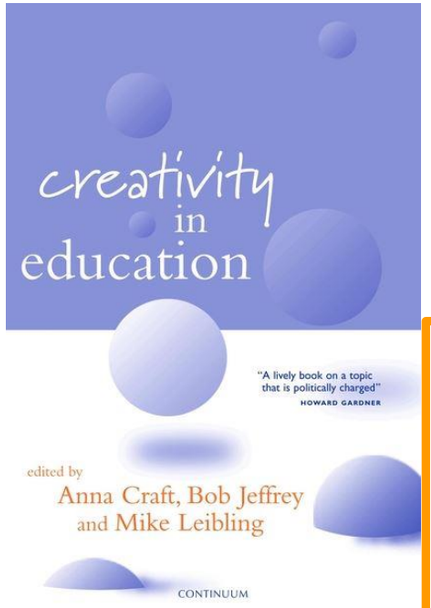


First Thing Music: Theory of change diagram





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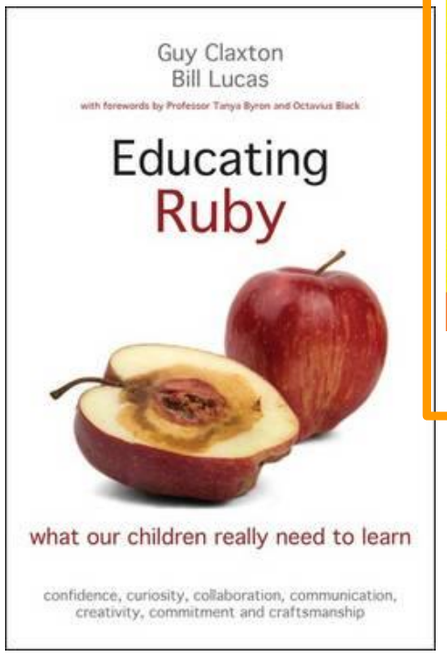
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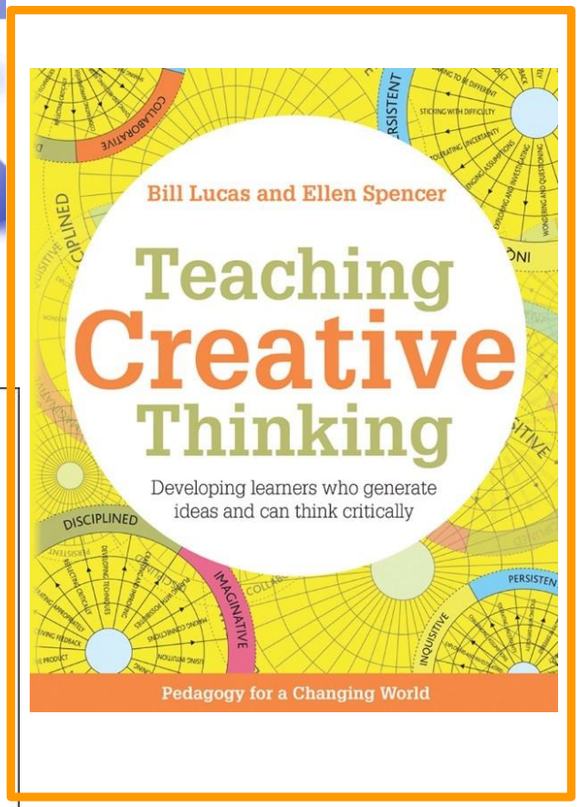
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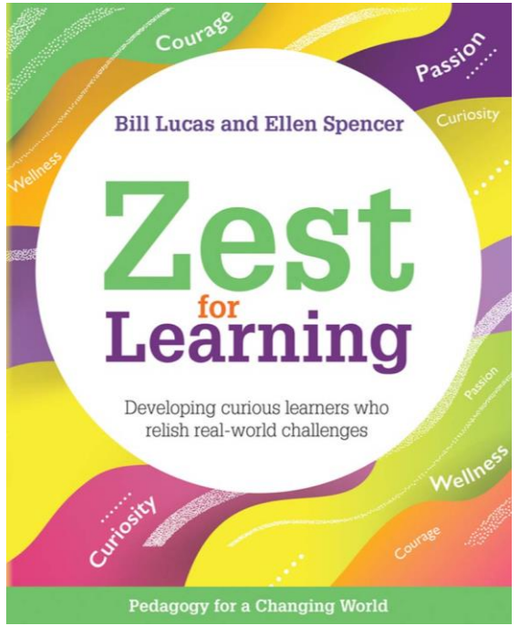
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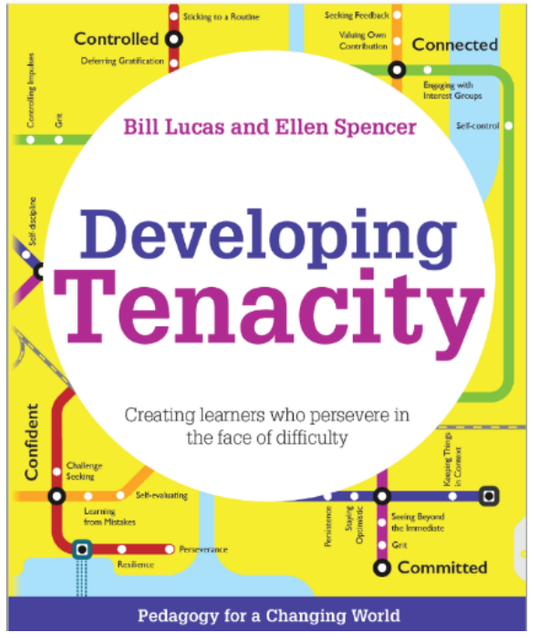
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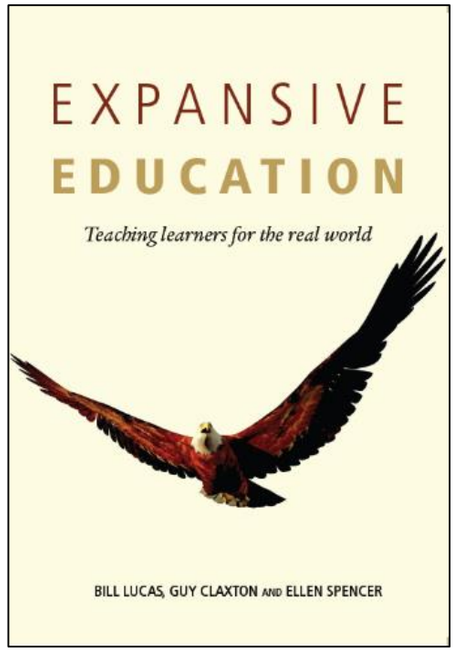
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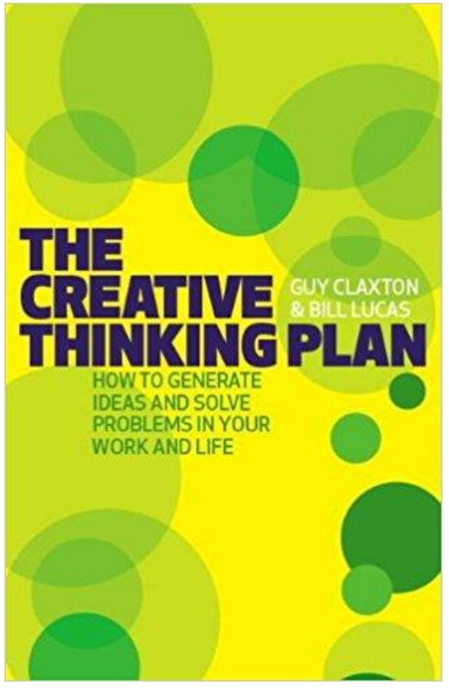
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Educational Research and Innovation

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WHAT IT MEANS IN SCHOOL

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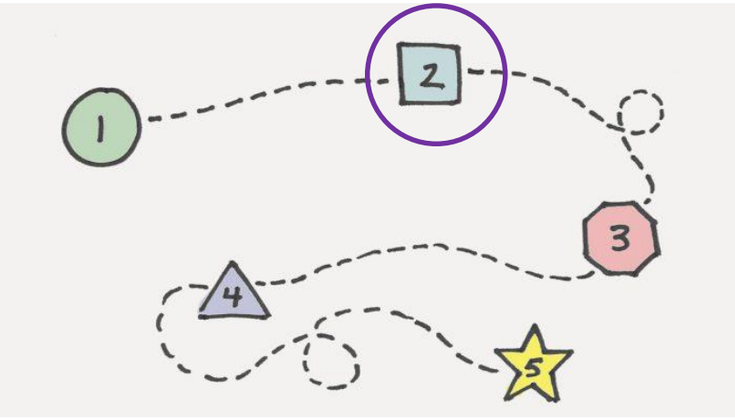
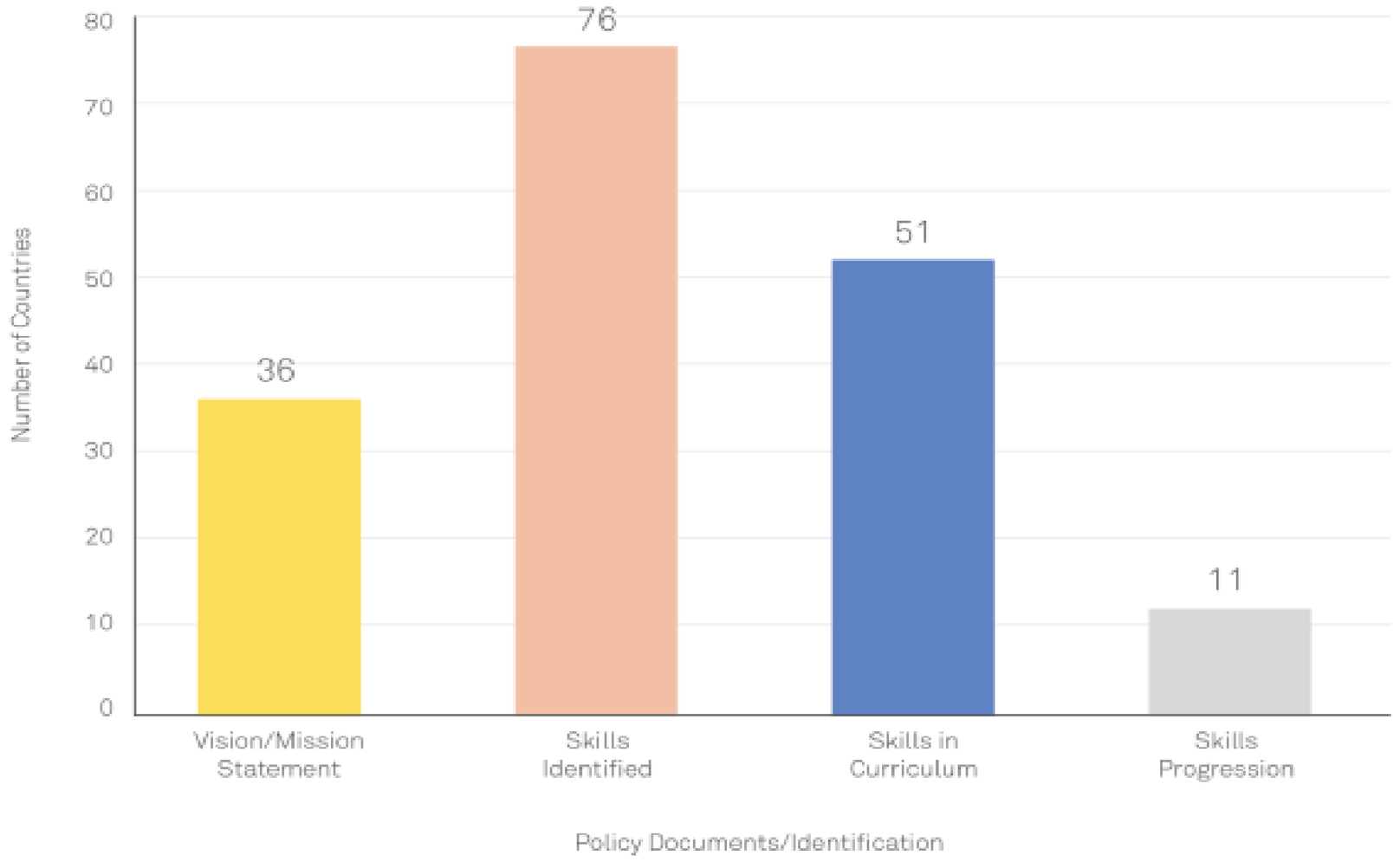


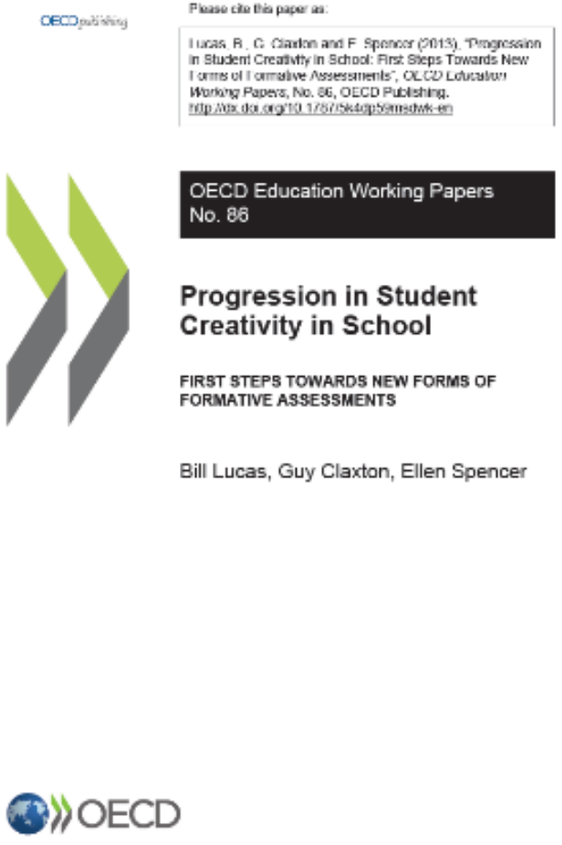
2. In the fast lane

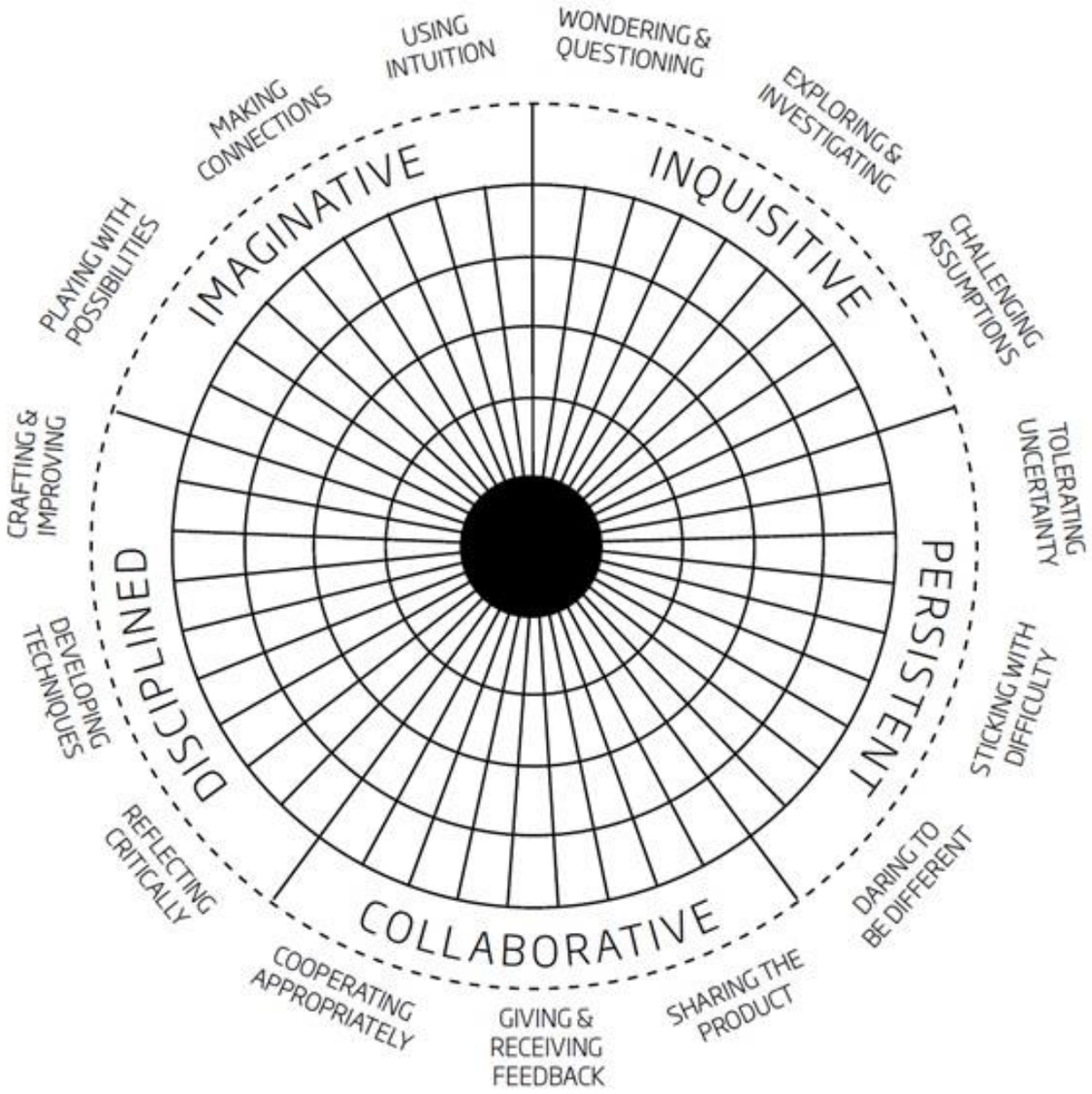
Creativity and cultural education across the world

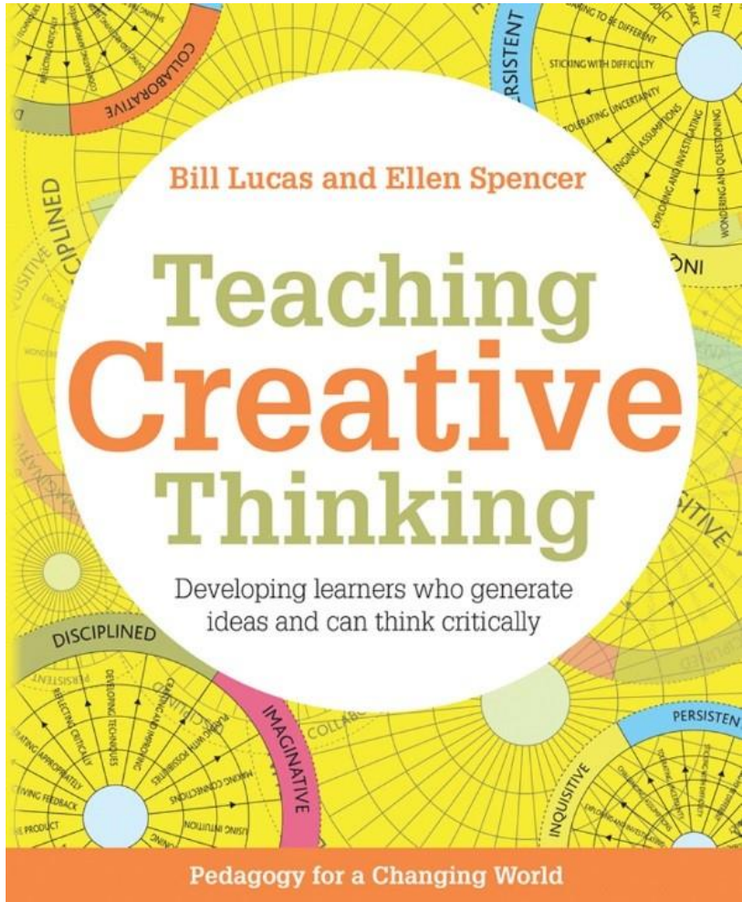


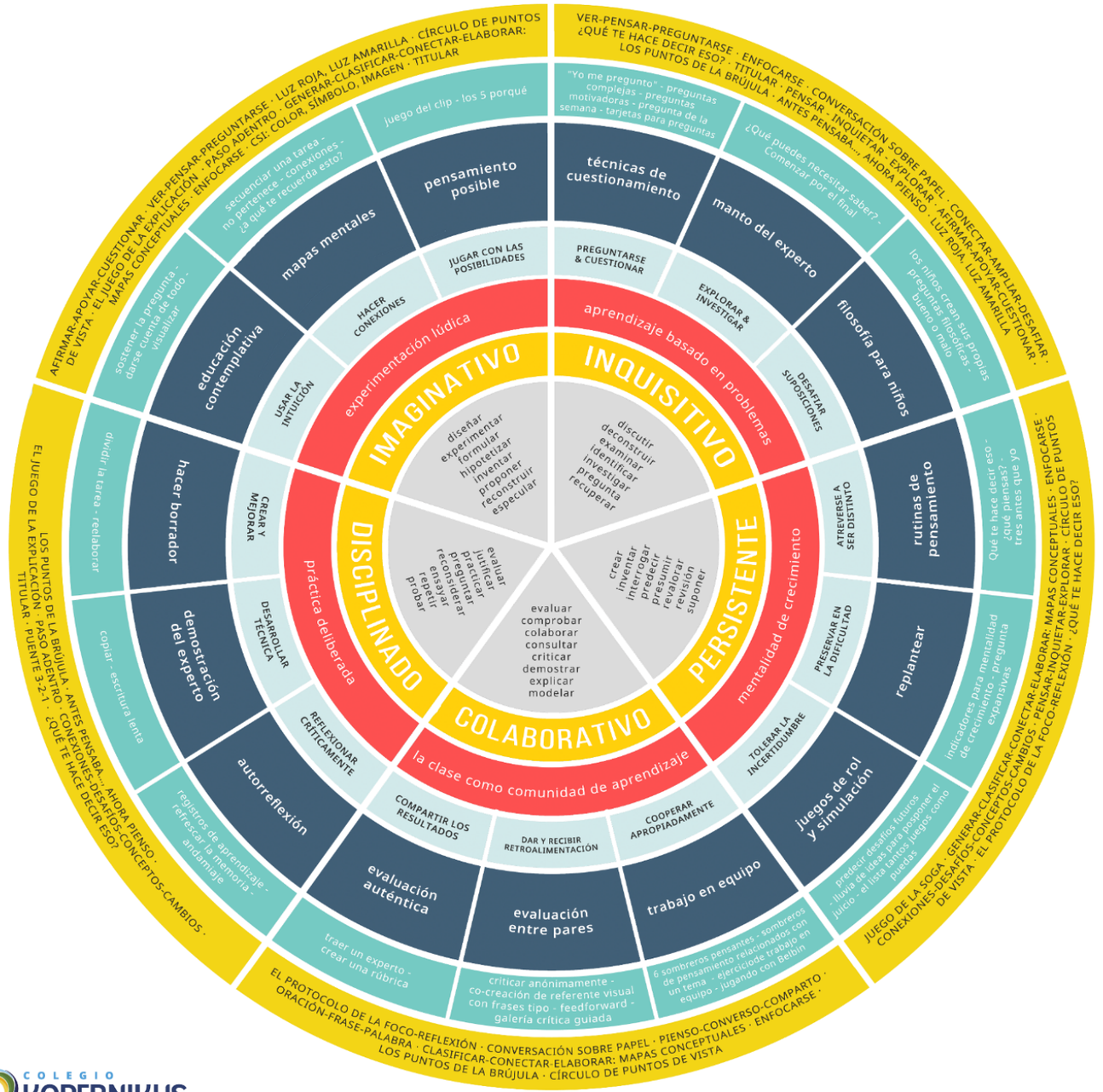
BROOKINGS

Our model of creativity









COLEGIO KOPERNIKUS

Los **5 hábitos de la mente** estructurado por **Colegio Kopernikus** basado en Lucas, Spencer & Claxton (2013) *Progression in Student Creativity in School* OECO Publishing

five habits
of learning
collaborative
inquisitive
persistent
imaginative
disciplined

TALLIS HABITS

"Learning to understand the world and change it for the better"

INQUISITIVE:
Wondering & questioning
Exploring & investigating
Challenging assumptions

COLLABORATIVE:
Co-operating appropriately
Giving & receiving feedback
Sharing the product

PERSISTENT:
Sticking with difficulty
Daring to be different
Tolerating uncertainty

DISCIPLINED:
Crafting & improving
Reflecting critically
Developing techniques

IMAGINATIVE:
Using intuition
Making connections
Playing with possibilities

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ROOTY HILL HIGH SCHOOL

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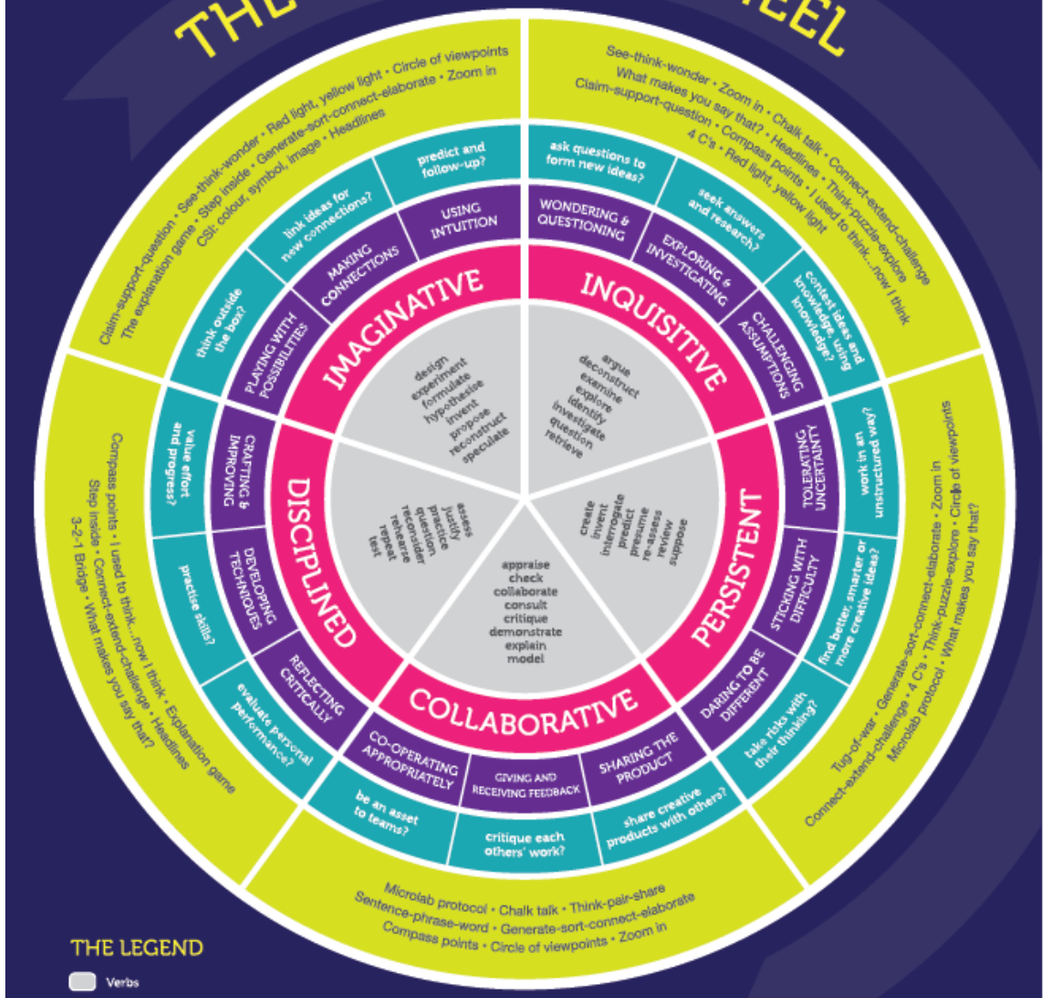
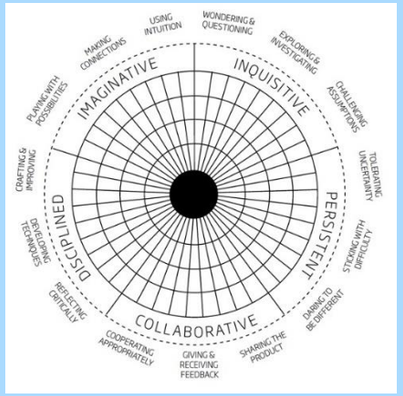
THE CREATIVITY WHEEL

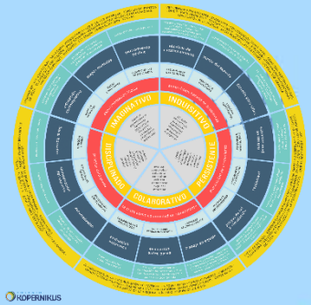


THE LEGEND

- Verbs
- Creativity disposition
- Creativity sub-disposition
- In our programs and our practices do we provide opportunities for students to...
- Visible thinking routine

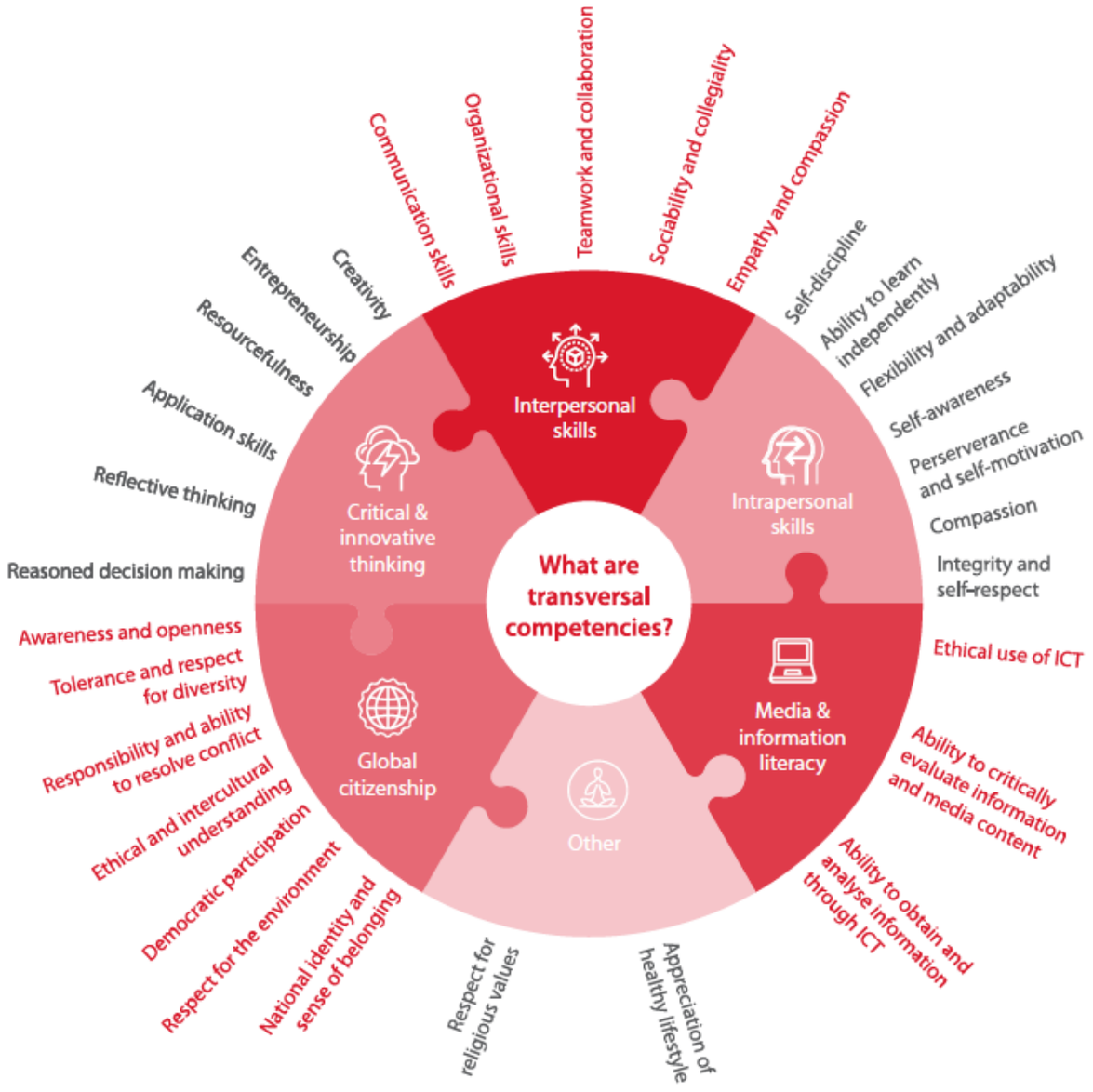
Developed by Rooty Hill High School from the work of Lucas, Claxton and Spencer.





CREATIVITY CULTURE & EDUCATION

Asia-Pacific



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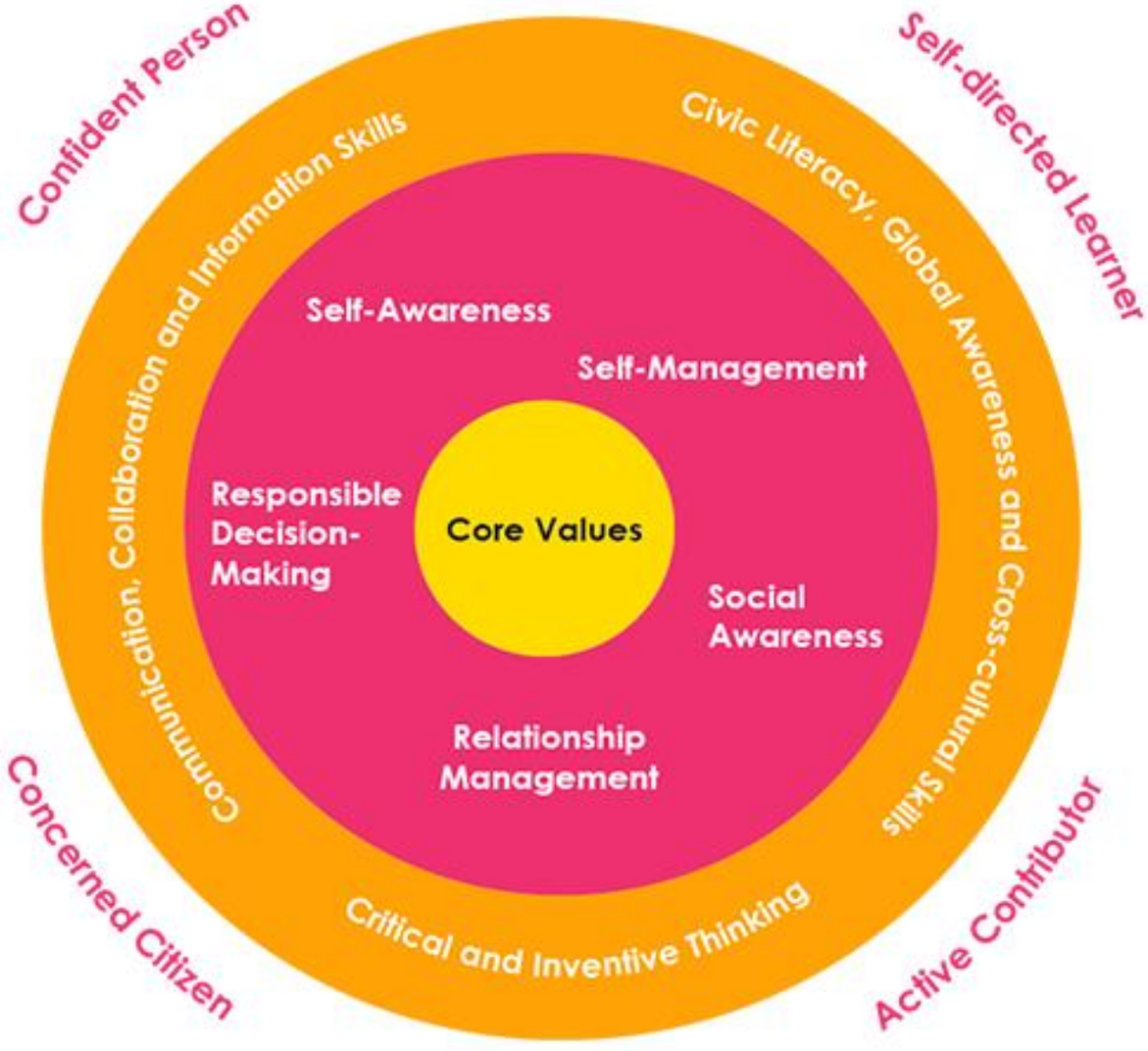

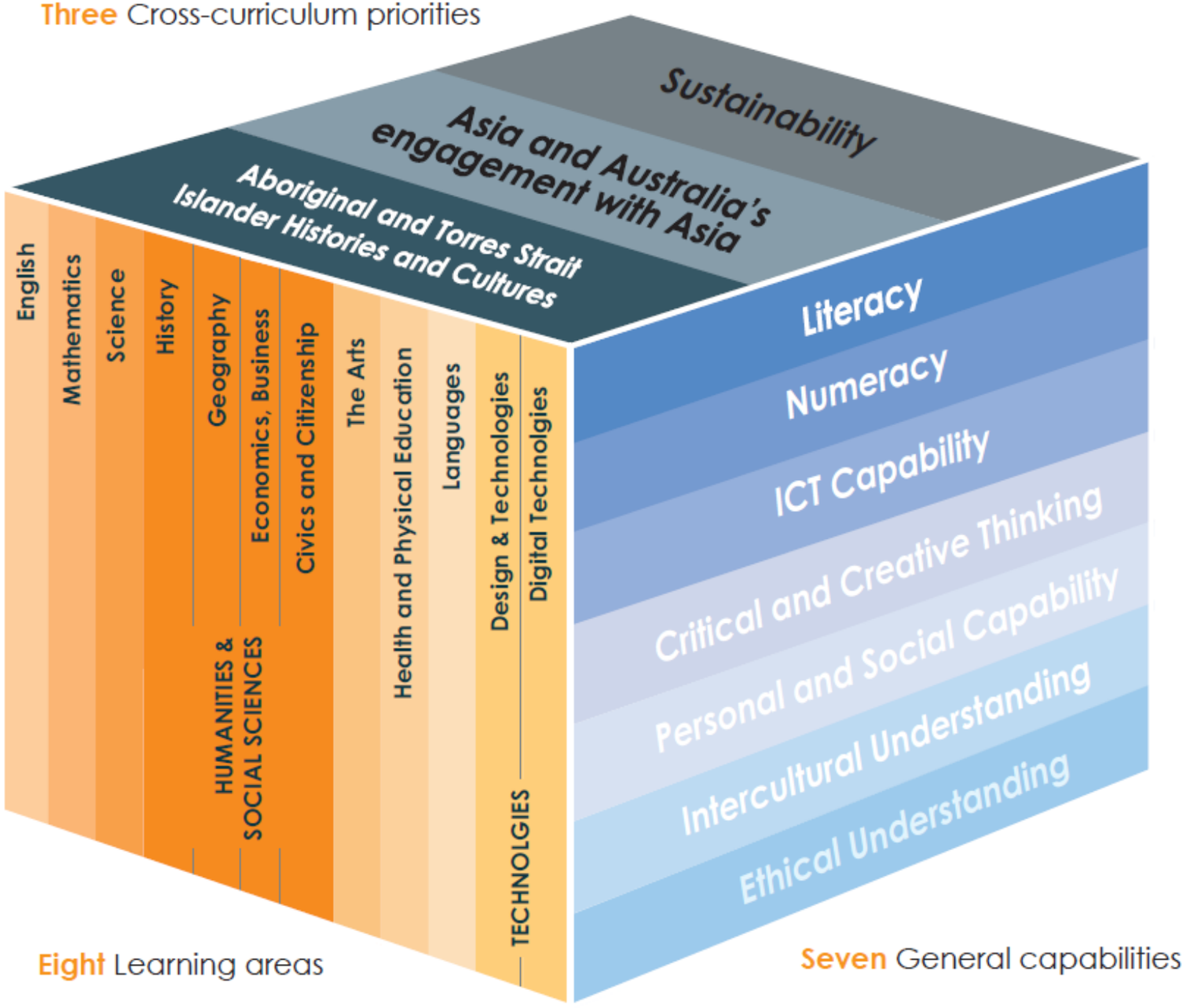
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Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Histories and Cultures
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Mathematics
Science
History
Geography
Economics, Business
Civics and Citizenship
The Arts
Health and Physical Education
Languages
Design & Technologies
Digital Technolgies
HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES
TECHNOLGIES
Literacy
Numeracy
ICT Capability
Critical and Creative Thinking
Personal and Social Capability
Intercultural Understanding
Ethical Understanding
Eight Learning areas
Seven General capabilities

Australian Government
Through Growth to Achievement
Report of the Review to Achieve Educational Excellence in Australian Schools
March 2018

Canada

DEEP LEARNING COMPETENCIES

The Deep Learning Competencies, better known as the 6 C's, are the skill sets each and every student needs to achieve and excel in, in order to flourish in today's complex world. These competencies form the foundation for the New Measures and NPDL teachers use the Deep Learning Progressions to assess students' current levels in each of the six Deep Learning Competencies. They combine this with information about student achievement, interests, and aspirations to get a clear understanding of what each student needs to learn.

Learn More

COLLABORATION

CREATIVITY

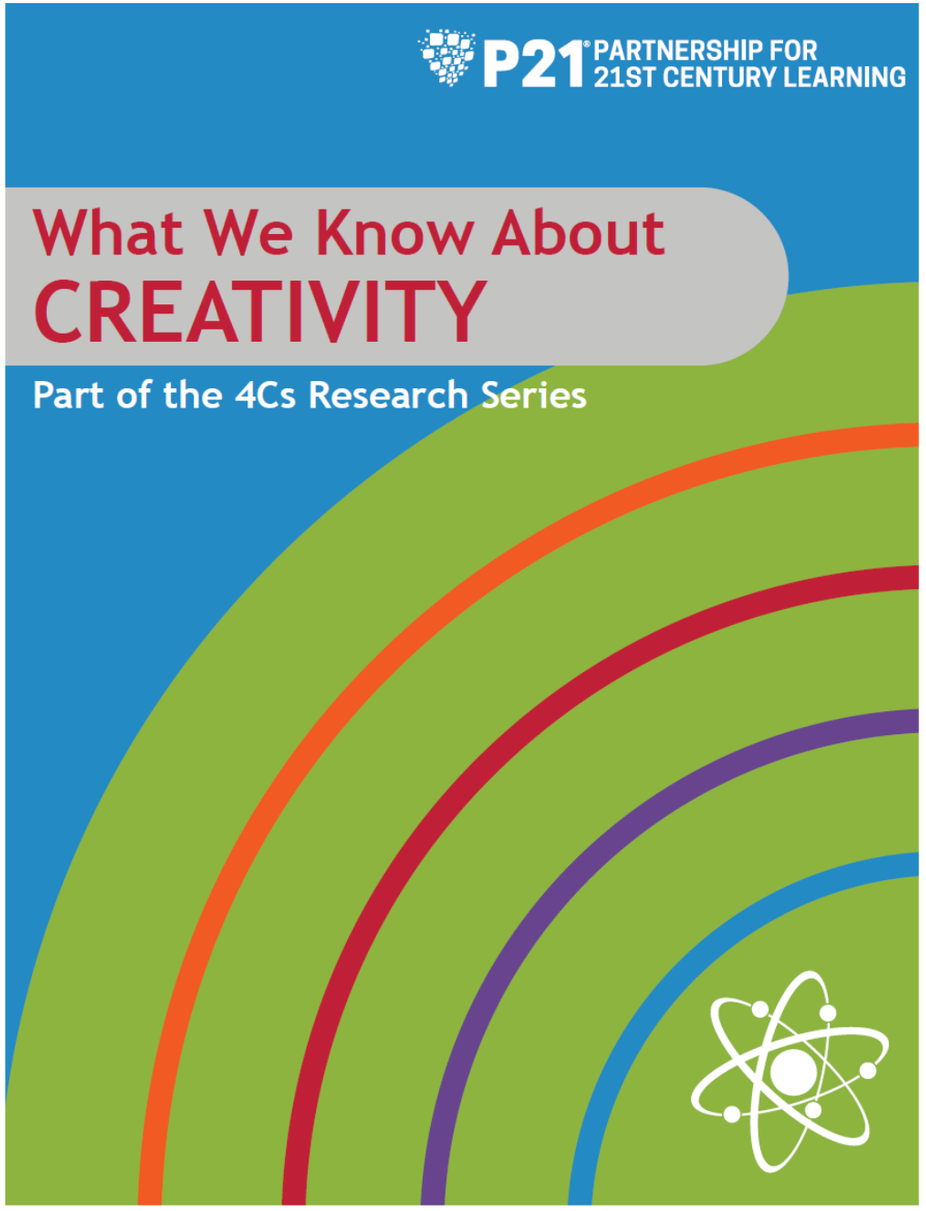
CRITICAL THINKING

CITIZENSHIP

CHARACTER

COMMUNICATION

USA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Wales

ambitious, capable learners who:

- set themselves high standards and seek and enjoy challenge
- are building up a body of knowledge and have the skills to connect and apply that knowledge in different contexts
- are questioning and enjoy solving problems
- can communicate effectively in different forms and settings, using both Welsh and English
- can explain the ideas and concepts they are learning about
- can use number effectively in different contexts
- understand how to interpret data and apply mathematical concepts
- use digital technologies creatively to communicate, find and analyse information
- undertake research and evaluate critically what they find

and are ready to learn throughout their lives.

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All our children and young people will be...

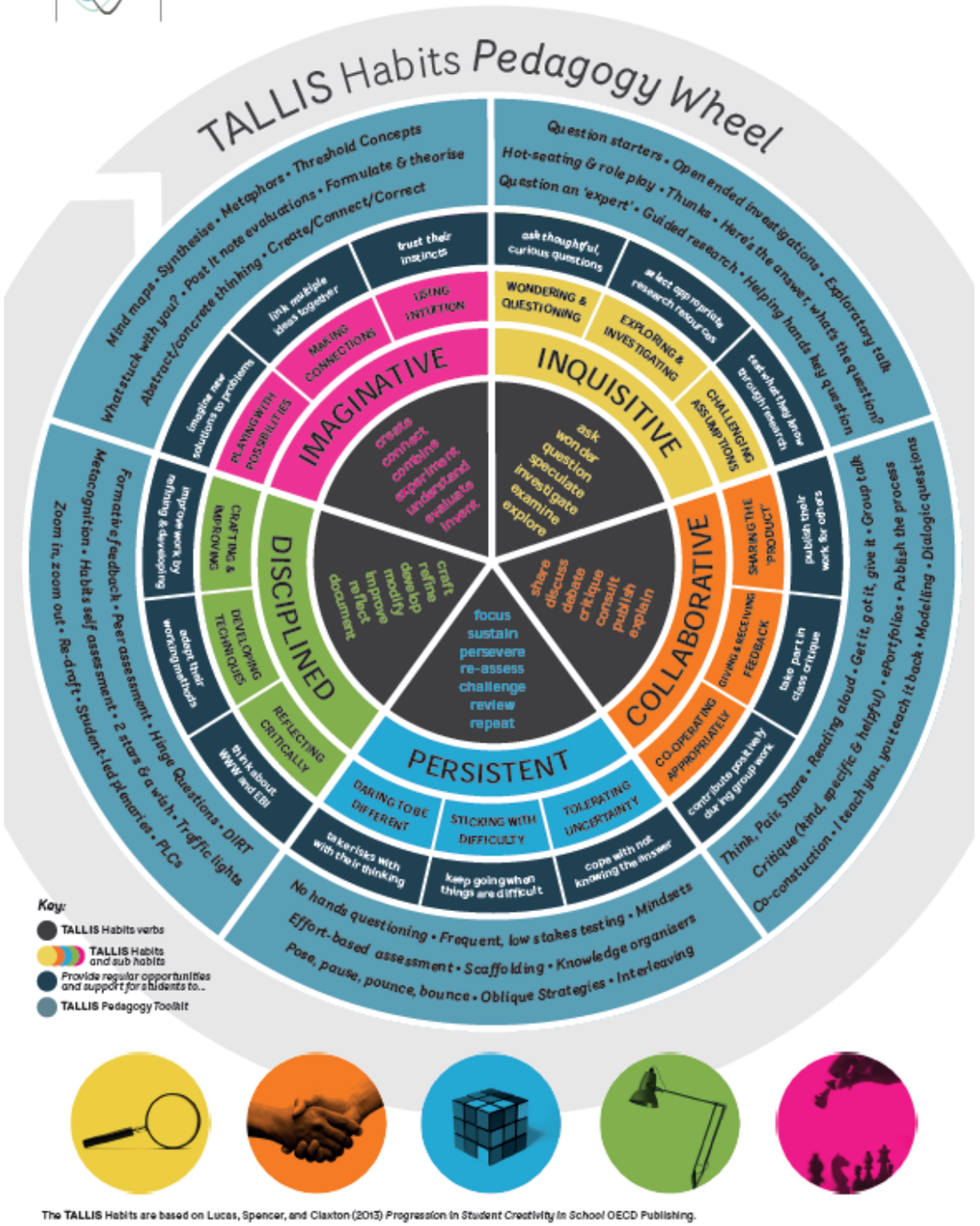
enterprising, creative contributors who:

- connect and apply their knowledge and skills to create ideas and products
- think creatively to reframe and solve problems
- identify and grasp opportunities
- take measured risks
- lead and play different roles in teams effectively and responsibly
- express ideas and emotions through different media
- give of their energy and skills so that other people will benefit

and are ready to play a full part in life and work.

THOMAS TALLIS SCHOOL

Education to understand the world and change it for the better



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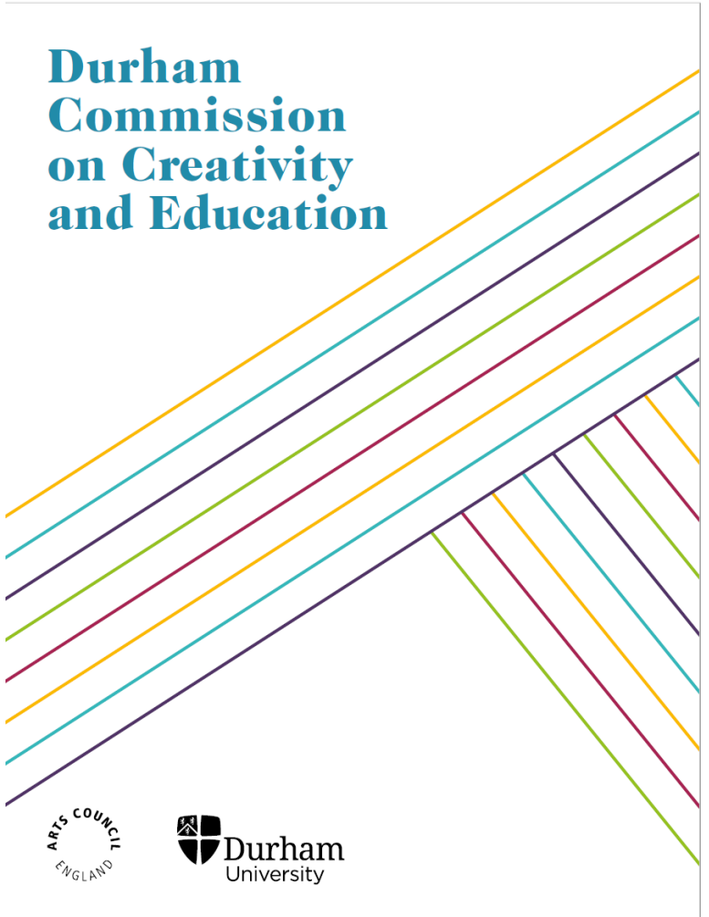
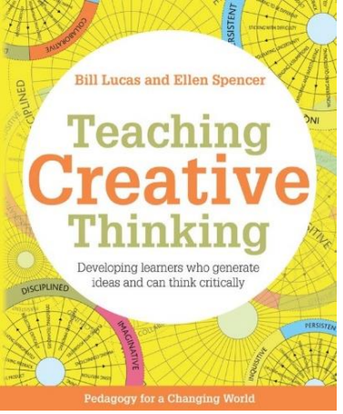
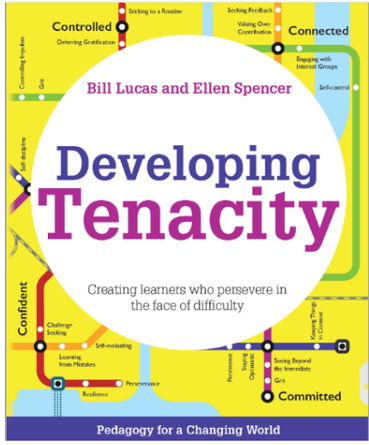




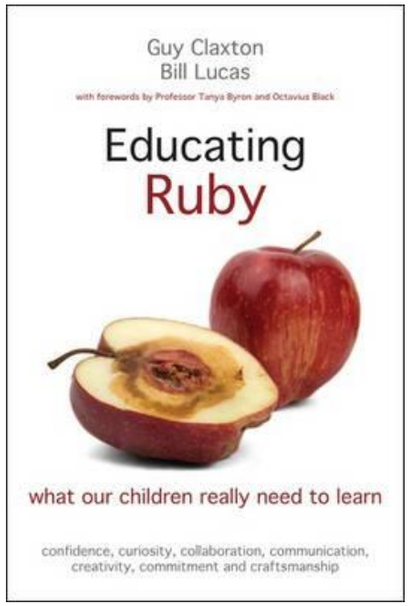
Ruby - a role model for students in England?



Craftsmanship

Confidence

Commitment



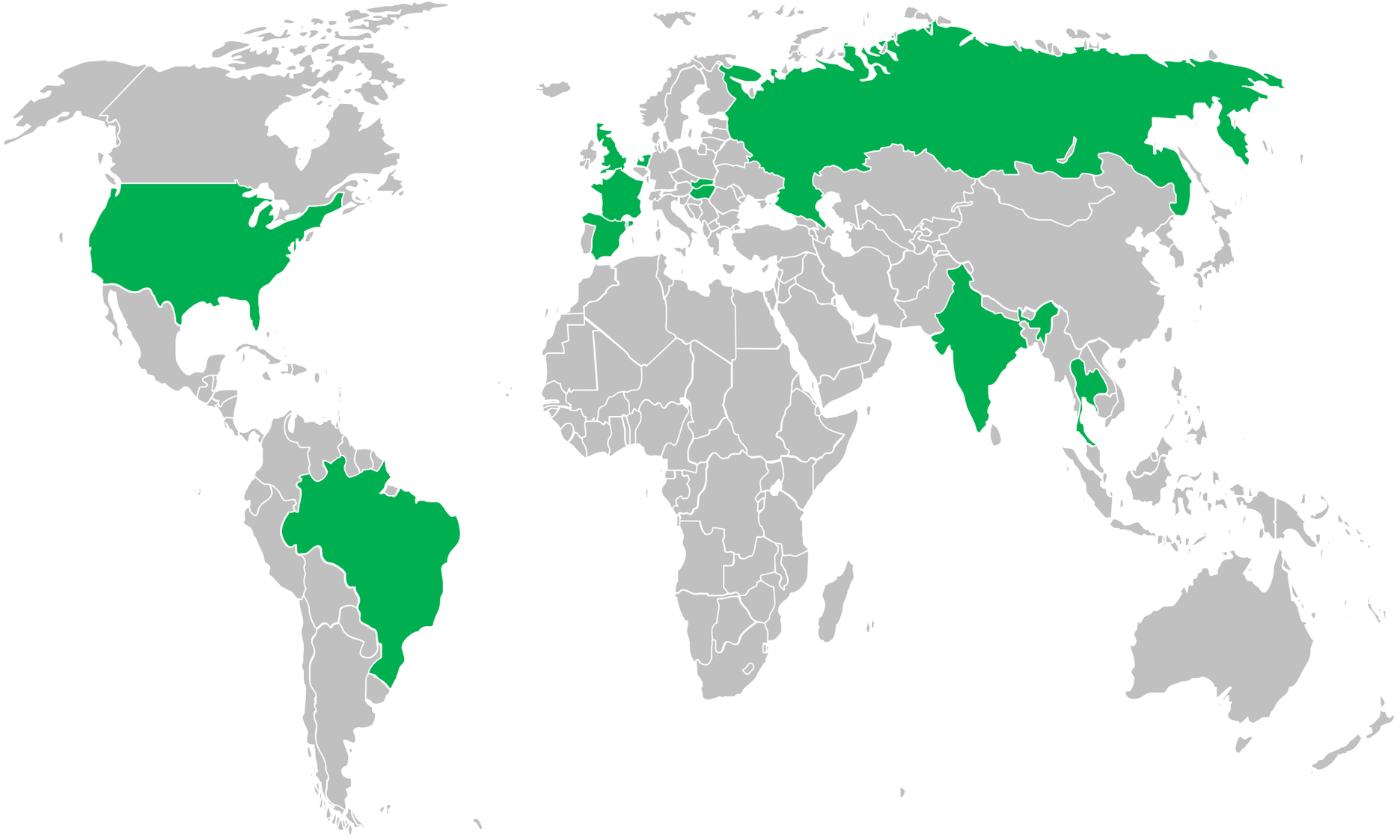
Curiosity

Creativity

Collaboration

Communication

An OECD study over 2 school years in 11 countries with 800 teachers and 20,000 students in 320 primary and secondary schools



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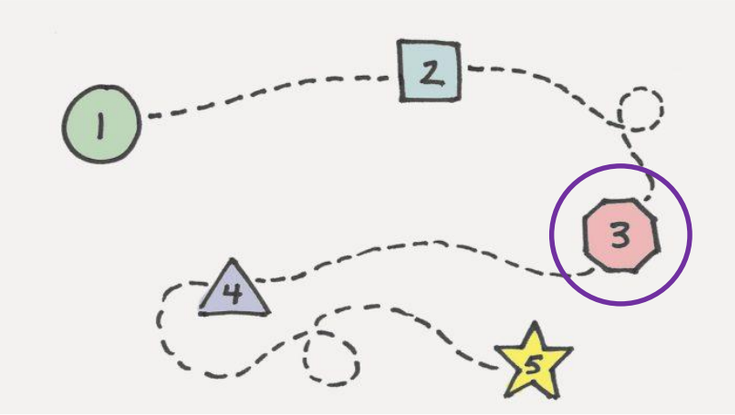

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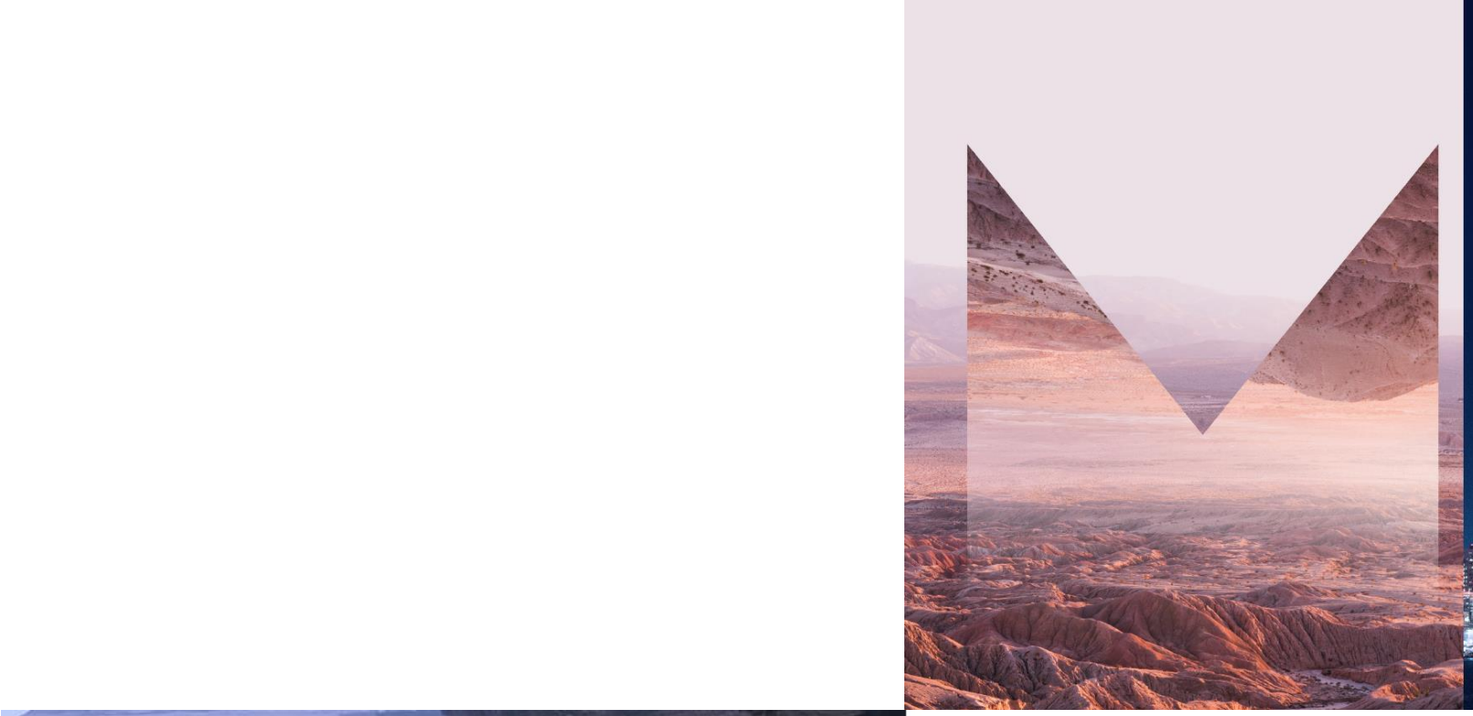
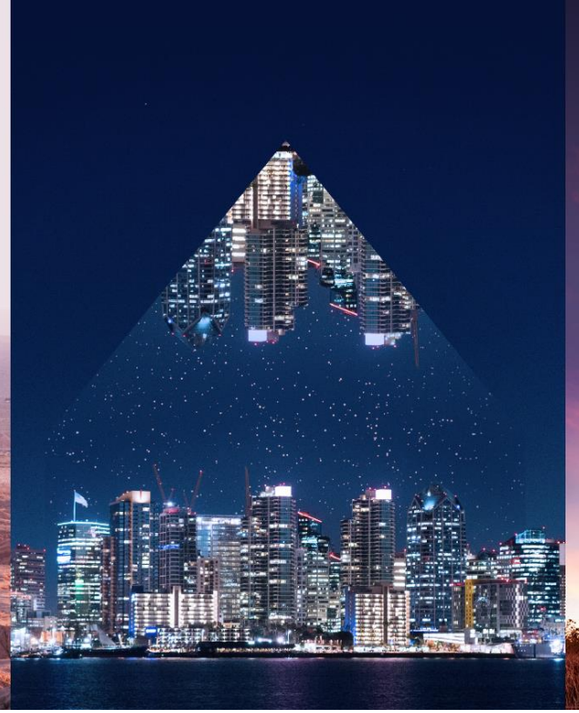
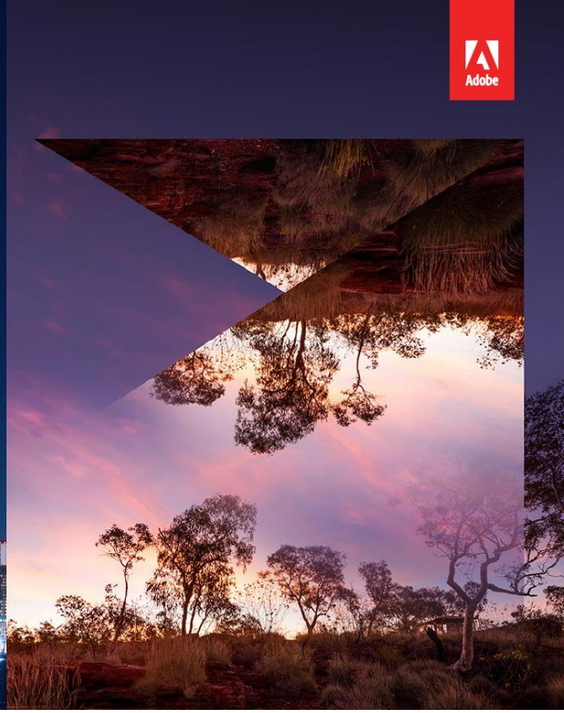
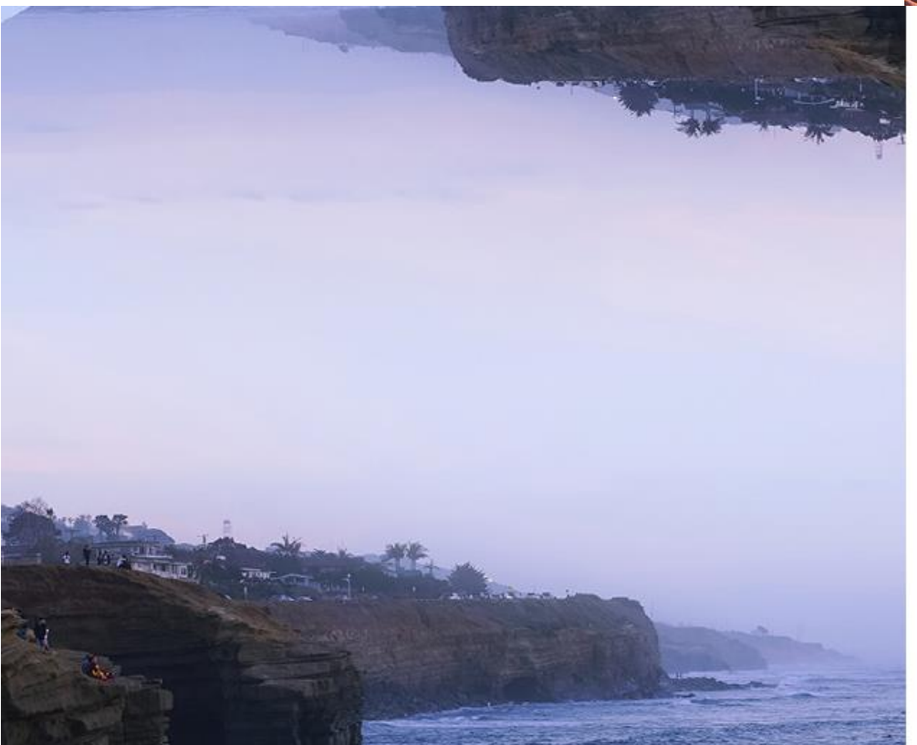








The state of creativity today

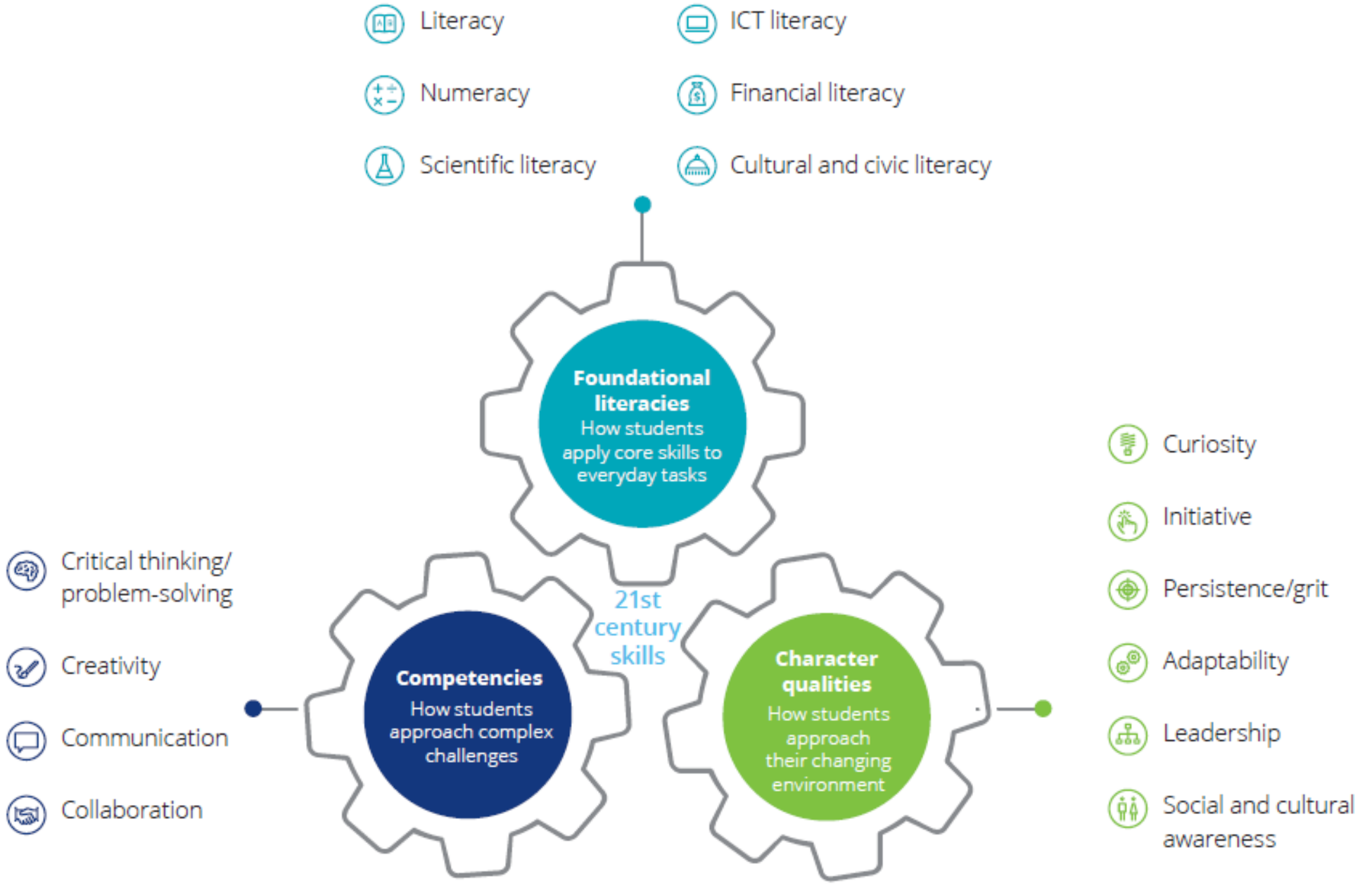
Global respondents believe being creative is valuable to society (70%) and the economy (64%). **PAGE 8**

Being creative helps make people better workers (70%), leaders (70%), parents (69%) and students (69%). **PAGE 9**

Yet only forty-one percent describe themselves as creative and thirty-one percent report they are living up to their creative potential. **PAGES 10, 11**

Compared to older generations, younger generations are more likely to:*

Describe themselves as creative (48% vs. 38%) and want others to see

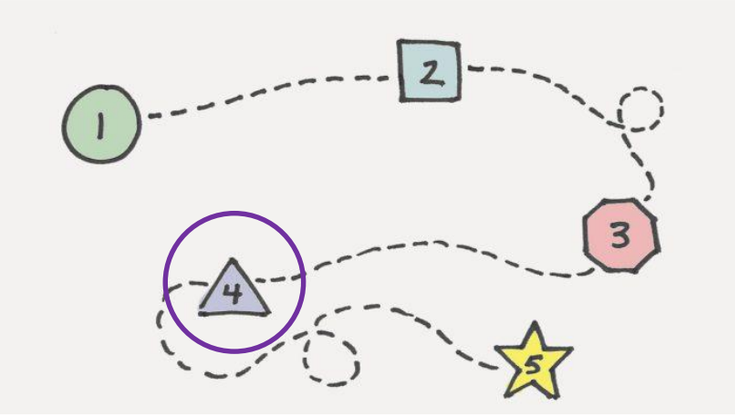


Source: World Economic Forum (2015)

NON-COGNITIVE SKILLS	
1.	Self-perception – an individual's belief about whether or not they can accomplish a task – includes self-efficacy, which relates to how they feel about past performance, and expectations about performing specific tasks in the future
2.	Motivation – why individuals think and behave as they do
3.	Perseverance – steadfastness on mastering a skill or completing a task (it includes engagement, ie: how committed students are to academic tasks, and grit, ie: perseverance and passion for long-term goals)
4.	Self-control – the ability to forgo short-term temptations, appetites, and impulses in order to prioritise a higher pursuit
5.	Metacognitive strategies – consciously focusing on thinking, selecting, monitoring and planning strategies that are most conducive to learning
6.	Social competencies – social interactions and relationships with others, including leadership and social skills
7.	Resilience and coping – resilience is adapting positively to challenges despite the presence of risk; coping involves using skills when faced with specific difficulties, and this process of coping leads to resilience
8.	Creativity – the production of novel and useful ideas

Leslie Gutman & Ingrid Schoon (2013)

The impact of non-cognitive skills on outcomes for young people.



4. What needs to change

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‘Imaginative activity fashioned so as to produce outcomes that are both original and of value.’

UK National Advisory Committee on Creative and Cultural Education, 1999

‘Creative Thinking in PISA 2021 is defined as the competence to engage productively in an iterative process involving the generation, evaluation and improvement of ideas, that can result in novel and effective solutions. Creative thinking is enabled by domain knowledge, curiosity, confidence, goal orientation and task motivation, as well as by external conditions, and it can be both an individual and collaborative endeavour.’

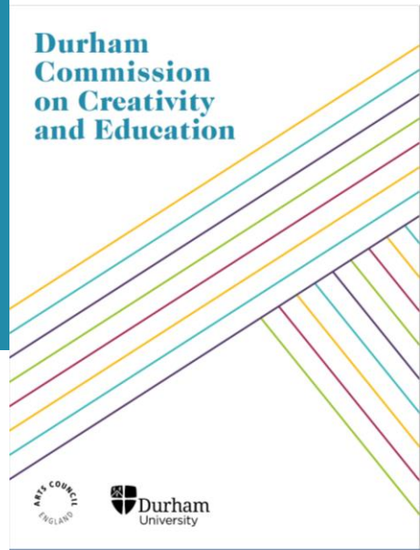
OECD Directorate for Education and Skills, PISA 2021 Creative Thinking

DURHAM COMMISSION DEFINITIONS

Creativity: The capacity to imagine, conceive, express, or make something that was not there before.

Creative thinking: A process through which knowledge, intuition and skills are applied to imagine, express or make something novel or individual in its contexts. Creative thinking is present in all areas of life. It may appear spontaneous, but it can be underpinned by perseverance, experimentation, critical thinking and collaboration.

Teaching for creativity: Explicitly using pedagogies and practices that cultivate creativity in young people.



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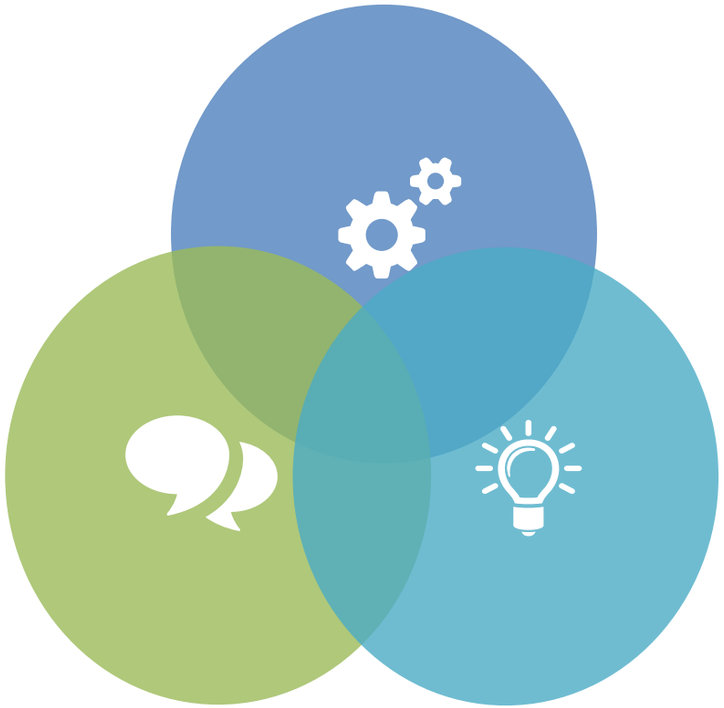
What skills should education systems foster according to OECD?

Technical skills
Know-what and know-how



Behavioural and social skills
Self-confidence, energy, perseverance, passion, leadership, collaboration, communication

Creativity and critical thinking skills
Creativity, critical thinking, inquiry, imagination, curiosity, ability to make connections, metacognition…

Teaching more than just sailing

GET ON BOARD

WEATHER. 1
KS 3 Geography
Understands key process in weather and climate

SAILOR. 2
KS 3&4 PE
Take part in outdoor and adventurous activities which present intellectual and physical challenges and be encouraged to work in a team, building on trust and developing skills to solve problems, either individually or as a group
KS 1&2 English
Ask relevant questions to extend their understanding and knowledge

WEIGHT OF SAILOR VS FORCE OF WIND. 3
KS 3 Science
Opposing forces and equilibrium

BOAT AND PERSONAL BUOYANCY. 4
KS 3 Science
Floating and sinking

STEERING & RUDDER. 5
RUDDER
KS 3 Science
Forces as pushes or pulls, arising from the interaction between two objects

STEERING
KS 1&2 Maths
"Pupils use the concept and language of angles to describe 'turn' by applying rotations, including in practical contexts"
KS 1 Geography
Use simple compass directions (North, South, East and West)

6. SAIL
FORCE OF WIND ON SAIL
KS 2 Science
Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction, which act between moving surfaces
KICKER AND/OR MAINSHEET
KS 2&3 Science
Recognise that some mechanisms, including levers, pulleys and gears give bigger force but at the expense of smaller movement

7. BOAT MOVING FORWARDS
KS 3 – Science
Speed and the quantitative relationship between average speed, distance and time (speed = distance/time)

8. ANGLES USED IN SAILING
KS 1&2 Maths
Identify angles and recognise they are measured in degrees. Use measurements to describe turns

9. HULL OF BOAT
KS 2 Science
Identify the effects of air resistance, water resistance and friction that act between moving surfaces

10. DAGGER BOARD
KS 3 Design and Technology
Understand and use the properties of materials and the performance of structural elements to achieve functioning solutions

11. WAVES
KS 3 Science
Waves on water as undulations which travel through water with transverse motion

CREATIVITY

JO GOODE, HEADTEACHER
"Sailing teaches pupils how to read situations and solve problems from an early age. We see these skills of practical application translate into academic learning. The natural surroundings inspire creative young minds to better understand and appreciate the environment too."

TEAMWORK

SIAN, AGE 17
"The opportunities to develop personal leadership skills through sailing have been very significant for Sian. As a volunteer activities leader, she takes on responsibility that has enabled her to operate calmly and effectively under pressure and has provided her with strong teamwork and leadership skills."

DETERMINATION

DAI, AGE 22
"Sailing has grown me into the young man I am. After my parents divorced, I felt lost and abandoned. But encouraged by my mum and dad and club I became an Assistant Dinghy Instructor. Teaching sailing then overtook my life and became my passion."

COMMUNICATION

JACK, AGE 14
"Sailing and helping at the club has enabled my son to become friends with people of all ages, young and old, he can know chat to anyone. He has become a real team player and is able to think on his feet."

INDEPENDENCE

DAVID, AGE 17
"David was born with 60% sight; he was shy with low self-esteem. When he joined the sailing school group his confidence grew, the difference in him was enormous, as was the impact on his schoolwork and social life."

CONFIDENCE

HARRY, AGE 13
"Our son shied away from 'traditional' sports. Sailing made him realise that sport doesn't have to be competitive; he just enjoys being out on the water. He has gained so much confidence though sailing he now does other outdoor pursuits too."

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Design criteria for good lessons

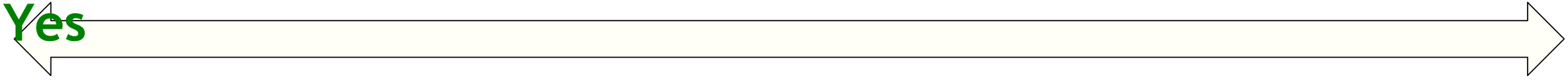
1. Create students' **need/interest to learn**
2. Be **challenging**
3. **Develop clear technical knowledge** in one domain or more
4. Include the **development of a "product"**
5. Have **students co-design part of** the product/solution or problem
6. Deal with **problems that can be looked at from different perspectives**
7. Leave **room for the unexpected**
8. Include **space and time for students to reflect** and give/receive feedback

Ten principles for a hospitable eco-system

1. Learning almost always framed by engaging questions which have no one right answer
2. Space for activities which are curious, authentic, extended in length, sometimes beyond school, collaborative and reflective
3. The opportunity for play and experimentation
4. Opportunity for generative thought, where ideas are greeted openly
5. Opportunity for critical reflection in a supportive environment
6. Respect for difference and the creativity of others
7. Makes creative processes visible and valued
8. Actively engages students as co-designers
9. Integrates a range of assessment practices within teaching
10. Leaves space for the unexpected

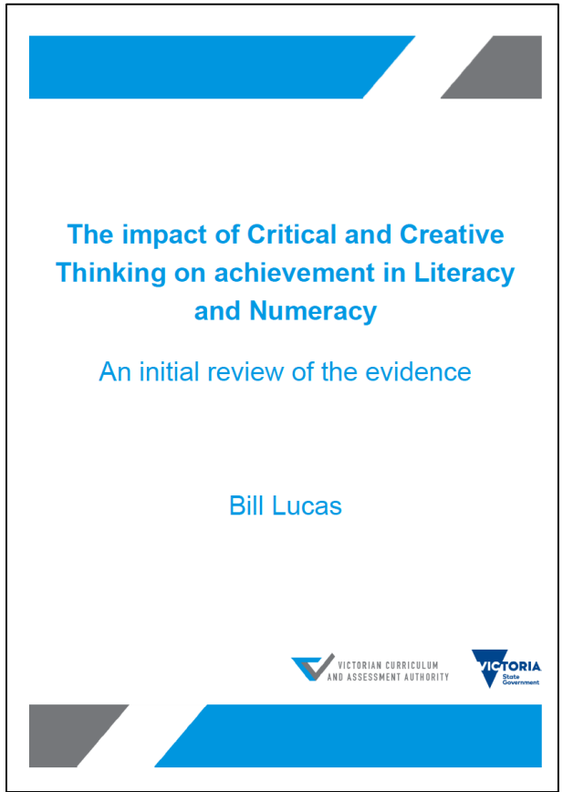
No **Sometimes** **Mostly**

Yes



Marshalling the arguments

Focus	Type of study	Authors and date	Effect size
Critical Thinking	Meta-analysis	Abrami et al., 2015	medium
Critical Thinking	Meta-analysis	Higgins et al., 2005	large
Creativity	Meta-analysis	Gajda et al., 2016	small
Lucas, Bill (2019)			



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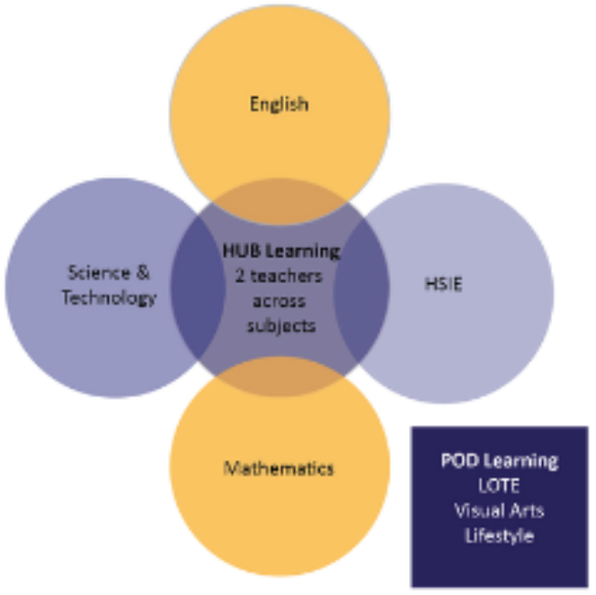

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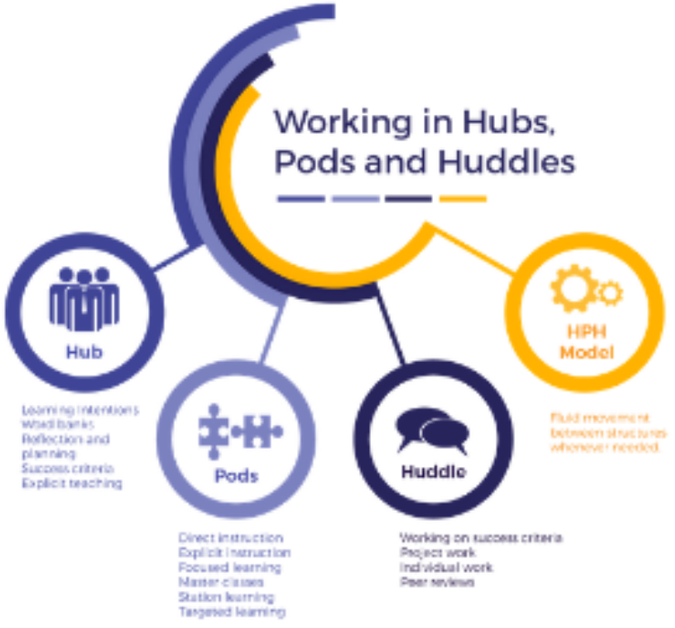

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COURAGE HONOUR

SERVICE

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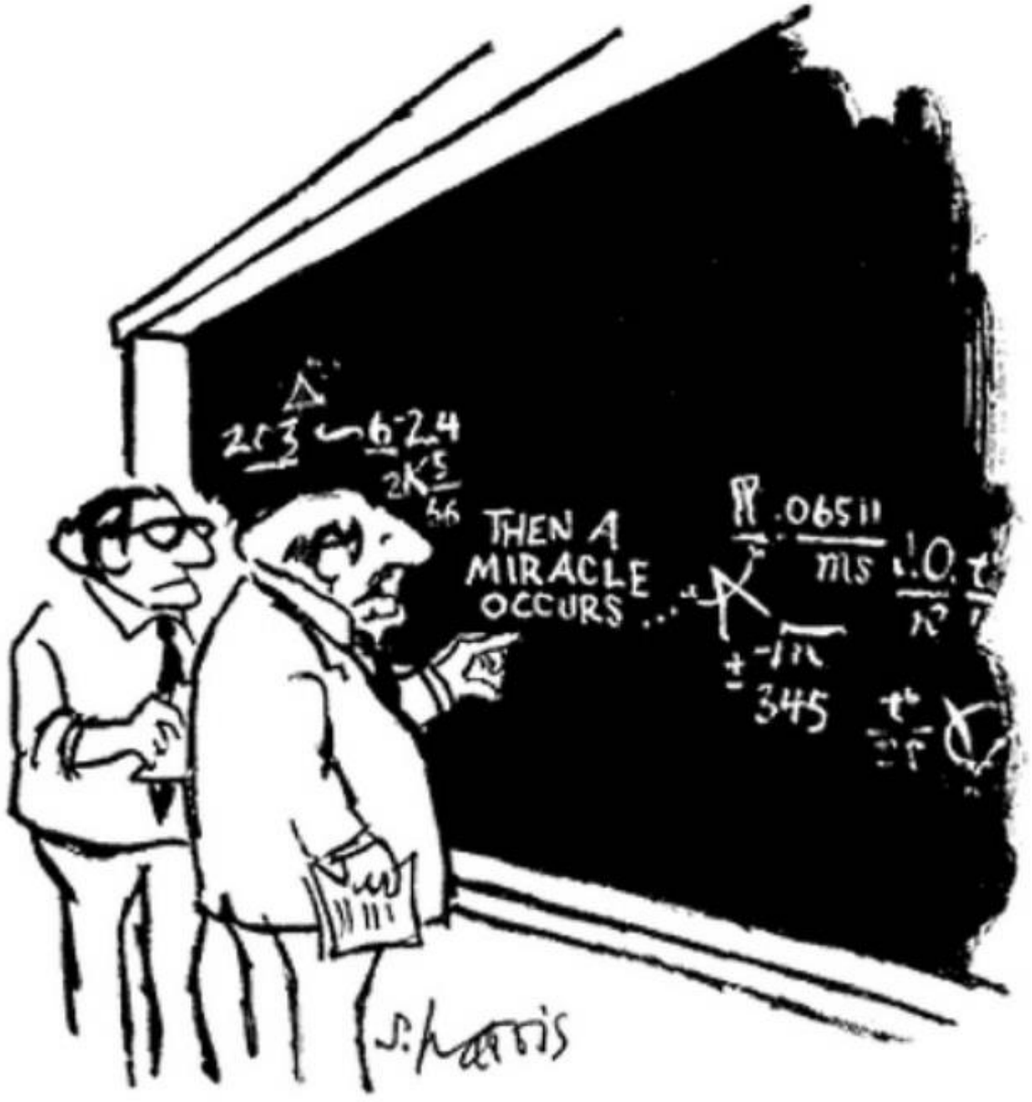

‘I think you should be clearer about step 2!’

Three key approaches

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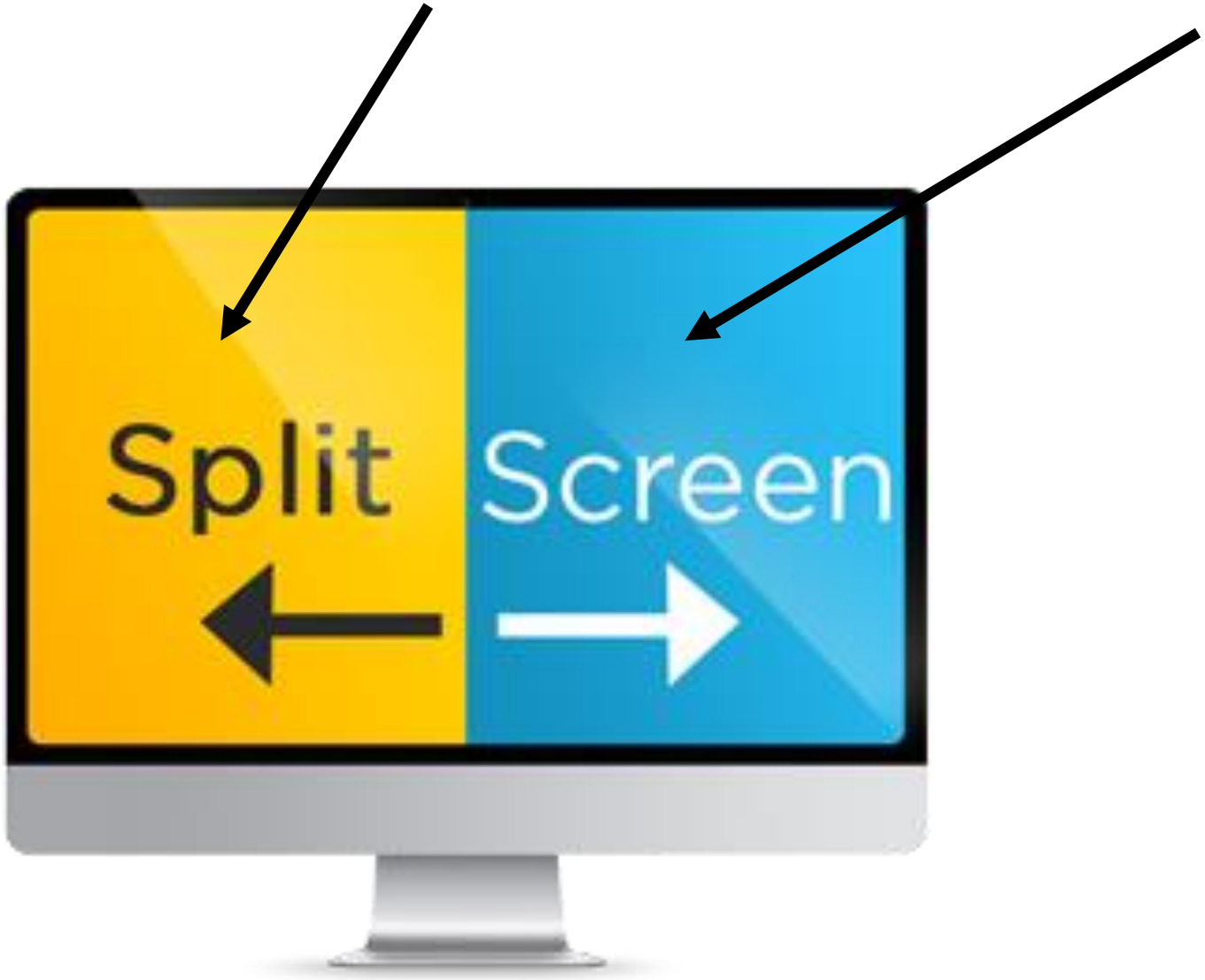
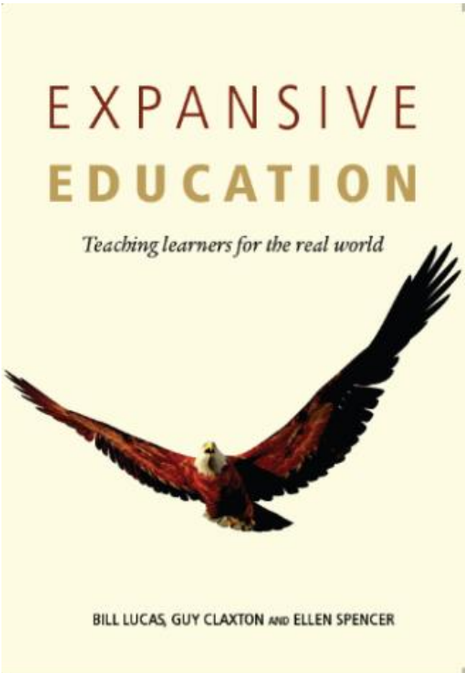
1. Split Screen Teaching
2. Visible Thinking
3. Signature Pedagogies

1. Teach knowledge *and* creativity





2. Make creative thinking visible and habitual

VISIBLE THINKING

- Visible Thinking in Action
- Getting Started
- Thinking Routines
  - Introduction
  - **Core Routines**
  - Understanding Routines
  - Fairness Routines
  - Truth Routines
  - Creativity Routines
- Thinking Ideals
- School-Wide Culture of Thinking
- VT Network
- What's New

Core Routines

The core routines are a set of seven or so routines that target different types of thinking from across the modules. These routines are easy to get started with and are commonly found in Visible Thinking teachers' toolkits. Try getting started with with one of these routines.

What Makes You Say That? *Interpretation with justification routine*

Think Puzzle Explore *A routine that sets the stage for deeper inquiry*

Think Pair Share *A routine for active reasoning and explanation*

Circle of Viewpoints *A routine for exploring diverse perspectives*

I used to Think... Now I think... *A routine for reflecting on how and why our thinking has changed*

See Think Wonder *A routine for exploring works of art and other interesting things*

Compass Points *A routine for examining propositions*

3. Use signature pedagogies

Lee Shulman (2005) Signature pedagogies in the professions. *Daedelus*, 134, 52-59

Playful Experimentation

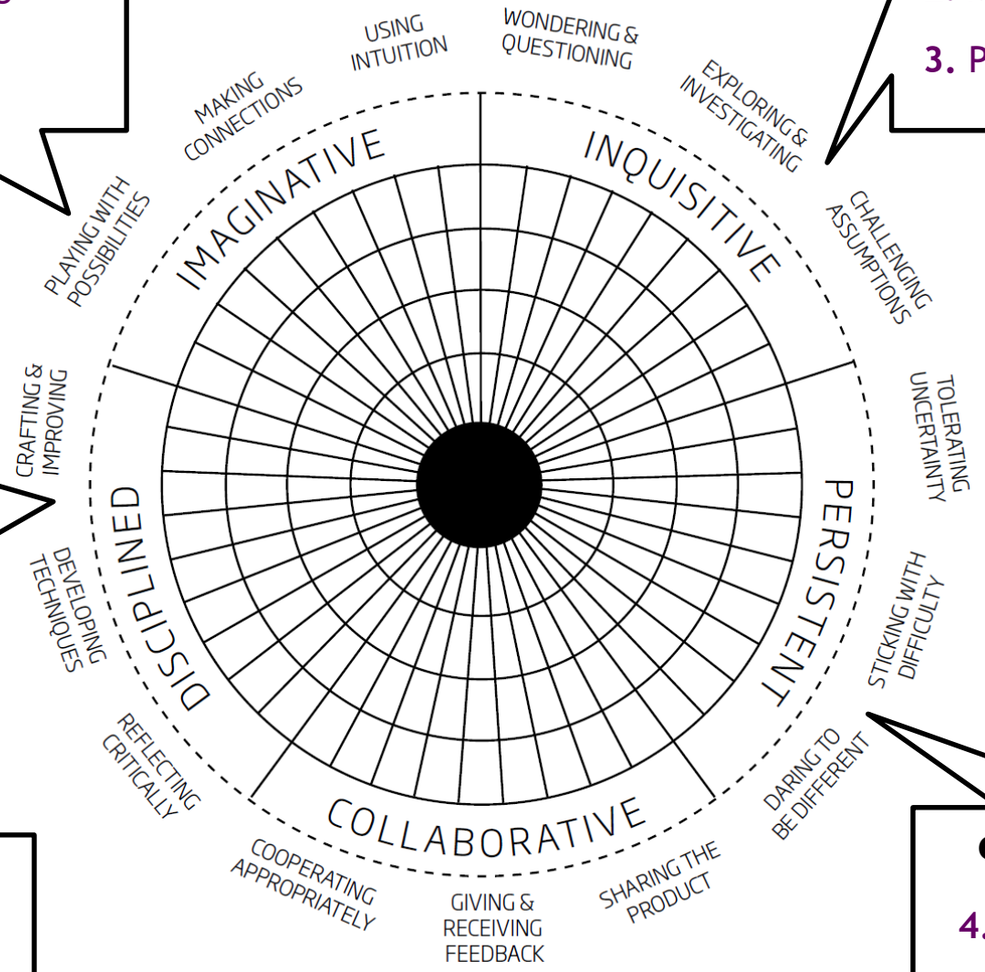
13. Possibility Thinking
14. Process mapping
15. Meditation

Problem-based Learning

1. Questioning techniques
2. Mantle of the Expert
3. Philosophy for Children

Deliberate Practice

10. Drafting
11. Expert demonstration
12. Student feedback

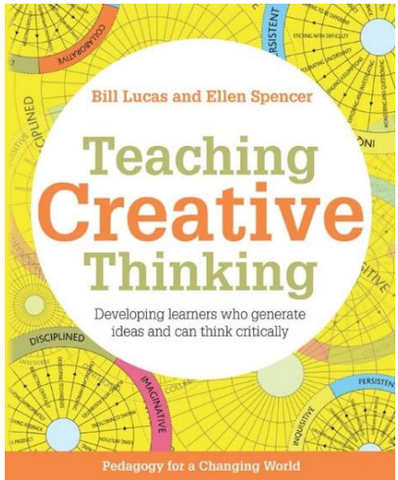


Classroom as Learning Community

7. Group working
8. Peer teaching
9. Authentic assessment

Growth mindset

4. Role play and simulation
5. Reframing
6. Perspective taking



Examples of signature pedagogies

- Project-based learning
- Research-based learning
- Creative partnerships
- Design thinking
- Montessori
- Studio thinking
- Dialogic teaching

Some key methods

case studies
problem-based learning
thinking routines
philosophy for children
role play
games
deep questions
teacher modelling
authentic tasks
thinking out loud
peer teaching
coaching
self-managed projects
enquiry-led teaching

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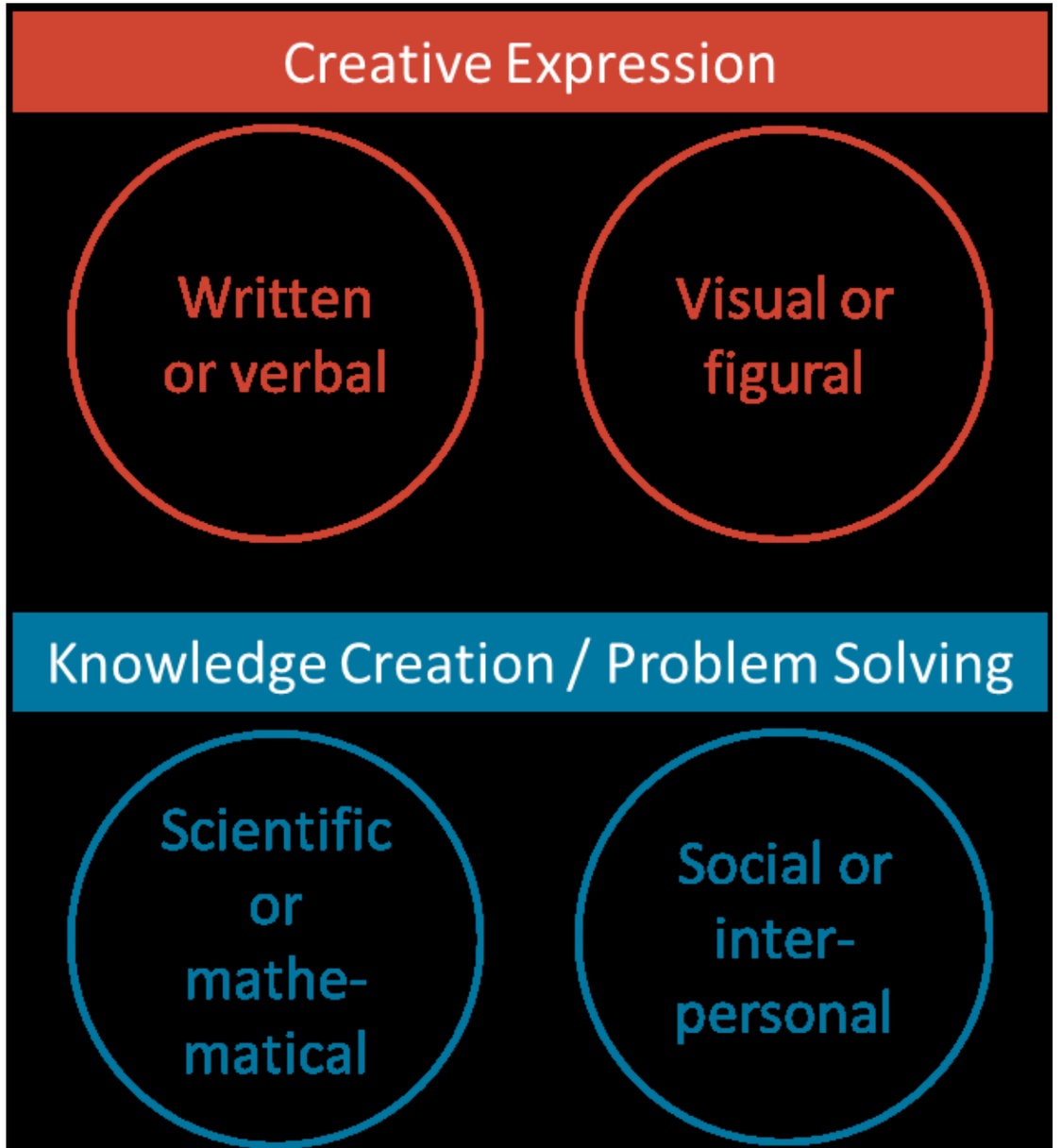

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IN A WORLD FIRST, VICTORIA IS TESTING STUDENTS WITH TOP-SECRET QUESTIONS TO SEE IF THEY HAVE THE SKILLS TO PREPARE THEM FOR LIFE.

NOW THAT'S CREATIVE THINKING

HENRIETTA COOK REPORTS NEWS

CAN YOUR CHILD ANSWER THIS CURLY QUESTION?

TAKE THE TEST ON PAGE 10

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Australian CURRICULUM

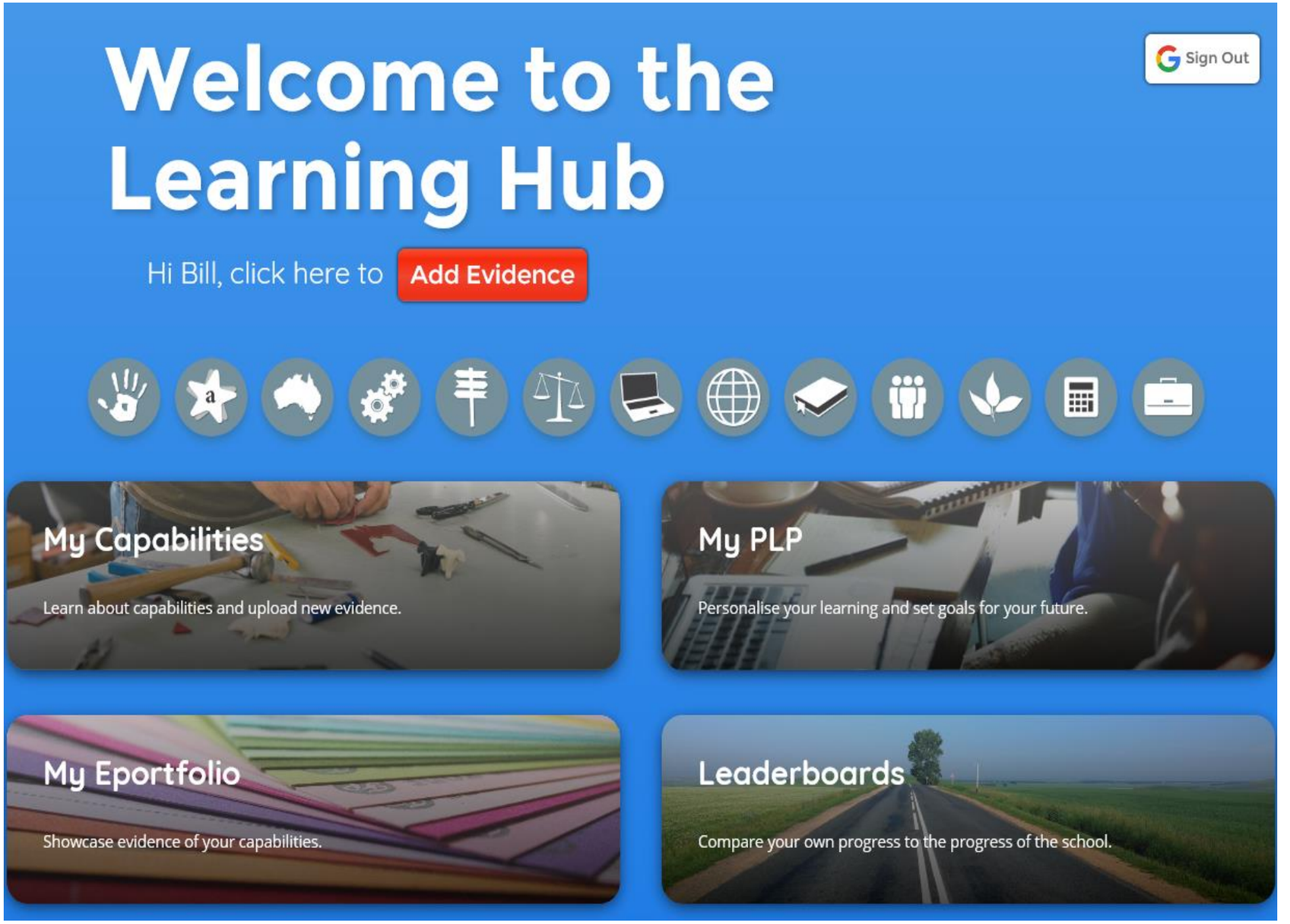
Critical and Creative Thinking learning continuum

Sub-element	Level 1 Typically, by the end of Foundation Year, students:	Level 2 Typically, by the end of Year 2, students:	Level 3 Typically, by the end of Year 4, students:	Level 4 Typically, by the end of Year 6, students:	Level 5 Typically, by the end of Year 8, students:	Level 6 Typically, by the end of Year 10, students:
Inquiring – identifying, exploring and organising information and ideas element						
Pose questions	pose factual and exploratory questions based on personal interests and experiences	pose questions to identify and clarify issues, and compare information in their world	pose questions to expand their knowledge about the world	pose questions to clarify and interpret information and probe for causes and consequences	pose questions to probe assumptions and investigate complex issues	pose questions to critically analyse complex issues and abstract ideas
Identify and clarify information and ideas	identify and describe familiar information and ideas during a discussion or investigation	identify and explore information and ideas from source materials	identify main ideas and select and clarify information from a range of sources	identify and clarify relevant information and prioritise ideas	clarify information and ideas from texts or images when exploring challenging issues	clarify complex information and ideas drawn from a range of sources
Organise and process information	gather similar information or depictions from given sources	organise information based on similar or relevant ideas from several sources	collect, compare and categorise facts and opinions found in a widening range of sources	analyse, condense and combine relevant information from multiple sources	critically analyse information and evidence according to criteria such as validity and relevance	critically analyse independently sourced information to determine bias and reliability
Generating ideas, possibilities and actions element						
Imagine possibilities and connect ideas	use imagination to view or create things in new ways and connect two things that seem different	build on what they know to create ideas and possibilities in ways that are new to them	expand on known ideas to create new and imaginative combinations	combine ideas in a variety of ways and from a range of sources to create new possibilities	draw parallels between known and new ideas to create new ways of achieving goals	create and connect complex ideas using imagery, analogies and symbolism
Consider alternatives	suggest alternative and creative ways to approach a given situation or task	identify and compare creative ideas to think broadly about a given situation or problem	explore situations using creative thinking strategies to propose a range of alternatives	identify situations where current approaches do not work, challenge existing ideas and generate alternative solutions	generate alternatives and innovative solutions, and adapt ideas, including when information is limited or conflicting	speculate on creative options to modify ideas when circumstances change
Seek solutions and put ideas into action	predict what might happen in a given situation and when putting ideas into action	investigate options and predict possible outcomes when putting ideas into action	experiment with a range of options when seeking solutions and putting ideas into action	assess and test options to identify the most effective solution and to put ideas into action	predict possibilities, and identify and test consequences when seeking solutions and putting ideas into action	assess risks and explain contingencies, taking account of a range of perspectives, when seeking solutions and putting complex ideas into action

Approaches to assessing creativity

PUPIL	TEACHER	REAL WORLD	ONLINE
Real-time feedback Photos Self-report questionnaires Logs/diaries/ journals Peer review Group critique Digital badges Portfolios	In-process evaluation Criterion-referenced grading Performance tasks Rating of products and processes Structured interviews Capstone projects	Expert reviews Authentic tests eg presentations, interviews podcasts films Gallery critique Exhibitions	Reliable, validated online tests

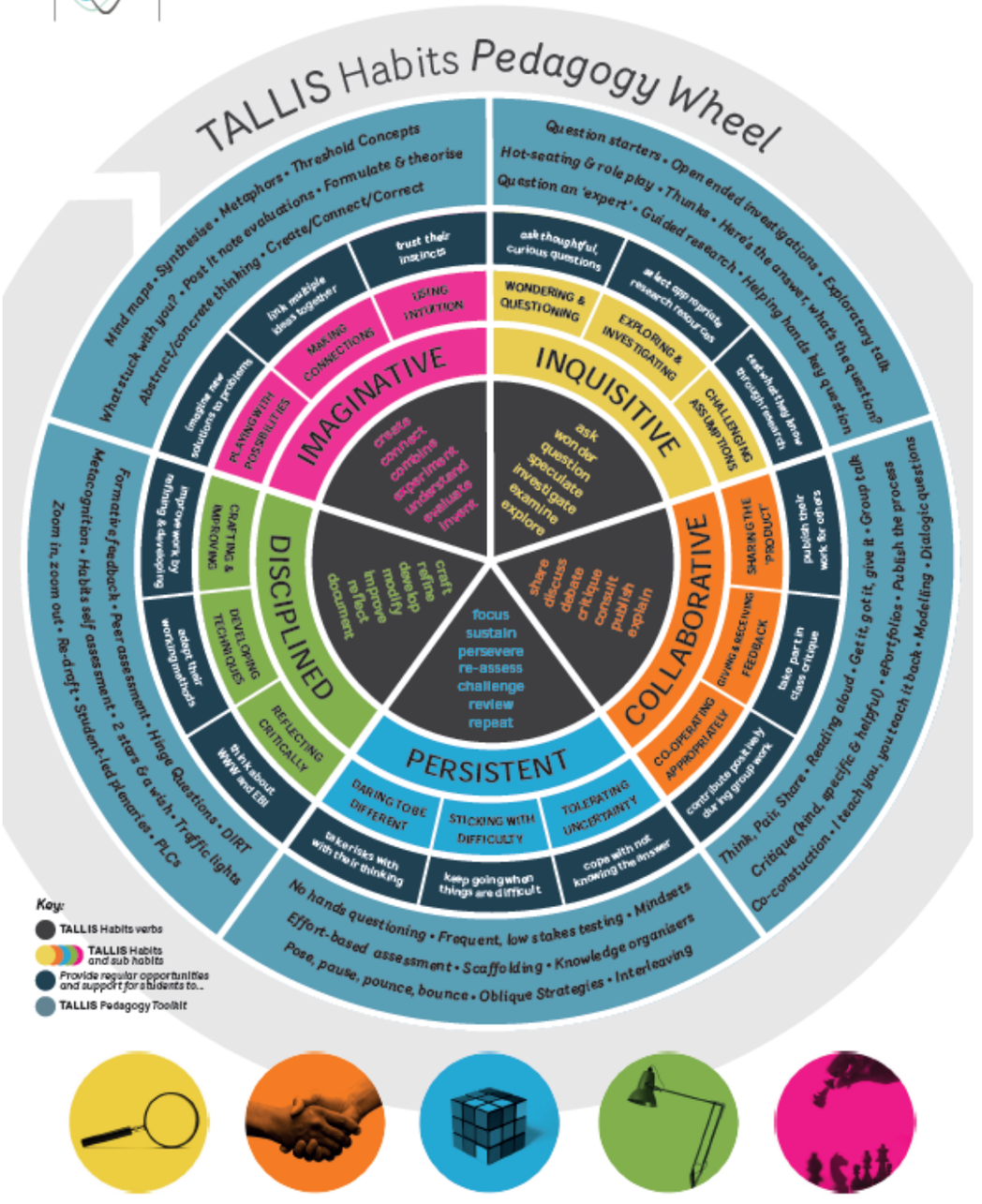
An example from Rooty Hill High School



THOMAS TALLIS SCHOOL

Education to understand the world and change it for the better

TALLIS Habits Pedagogy Wheel



The TALLIS Habits are based on Lucas, Spencer, and Claxton (2013) *Progression in Student Creativity in School* OECD Publishing.

TALLIS HABITS

The new Tallis Habits web app is a fun and interactive way to record how you are learning.

The Habits focus for this half term is **IMAGINATIVE.**

IMAGINATIVE:
Using intuition
Making connections
Playing with possibilities

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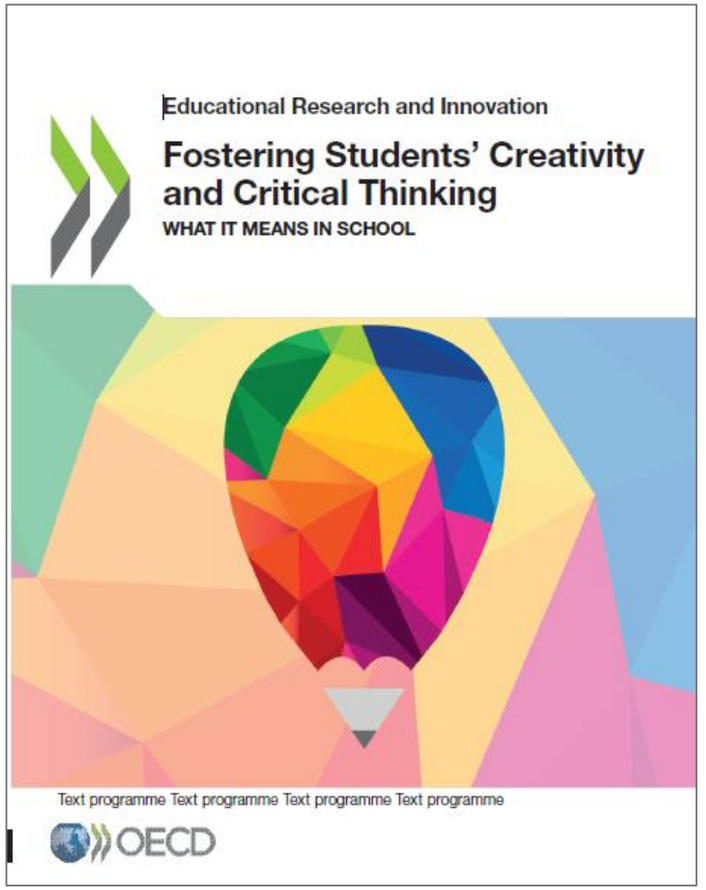
Fostering Students' Creativity and Critical Thinking

- Creativity and critical thinking can be learnt and assessed in all subjects
- We need to be intentional and thus clear about what we try to achieve: rubrics help clarify
- Teachers need support: professional learning opportunities and scaffolding (resources, examples, peer learning, etc.)
- It is not easy, it takes time, but it is feasible – and real teachers in real-life settings have already done it
- There are many different ways to do it (and just starting to move the needle is an important step)



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Learning from Australia

1. Make a strong, evidence-based case for the value of capabilities to employers, parents and educators

2. Consider capabilities across the continuum from the early years through to post-school education

3. Simplify existing learning continua for the general capabilities

4. Create clear case studies to show how capabilities can be fostered through education

5. Enable professional networks to share effective practices

6. Draw on existing promising practices to create guidance on the assessment of the general capabilities

7. Provide support for principals and leaders to exercise instructional leadership in the development of capabilities

8. Create an evidence base to promote sharing, innovation, and widespread practice improvement

OECD project on fostering and assessing students' creativity and critical thinking

1. Articulate a common **international language**
2. Develop an exemplary **bank of pedagogical resources** to teach and assess creativity and critical thinking as part of countries' (current) curriculum
3. Develop **professional development plans**
4. Develop and pilot **evaluation instruments** to measure the effects of pedagogical practices on pedagogies, beliefs, social and behavioural skills, and standardised measures of creativity and academic achievement

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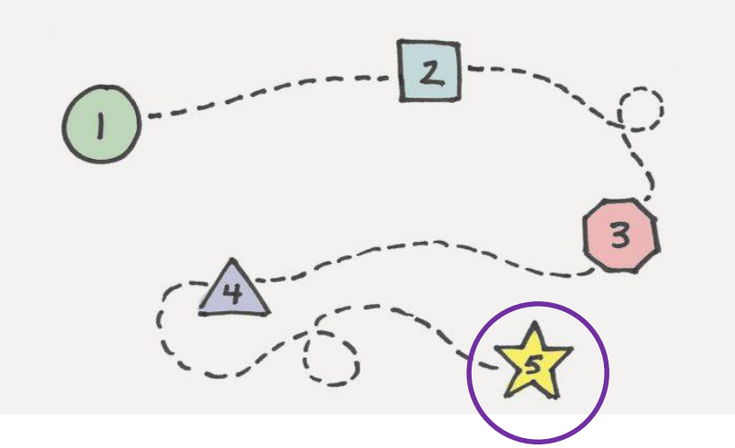


5. Discussion

Shifting the paradigm?

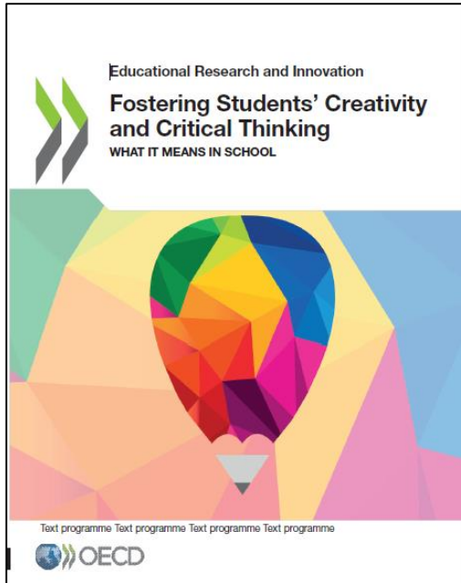
Alice laughed:

"There's no use trying," she said; "one can't believe **impossible things**."

"I daresay you haven't had much practice," said the **Queen**.

"When I was younger, I always did it for half an hour a day. Sometimes I've believed as many as six **impossible things** before breakfast."

Lewis Carroll, *Through the Looking Glass*, 1871



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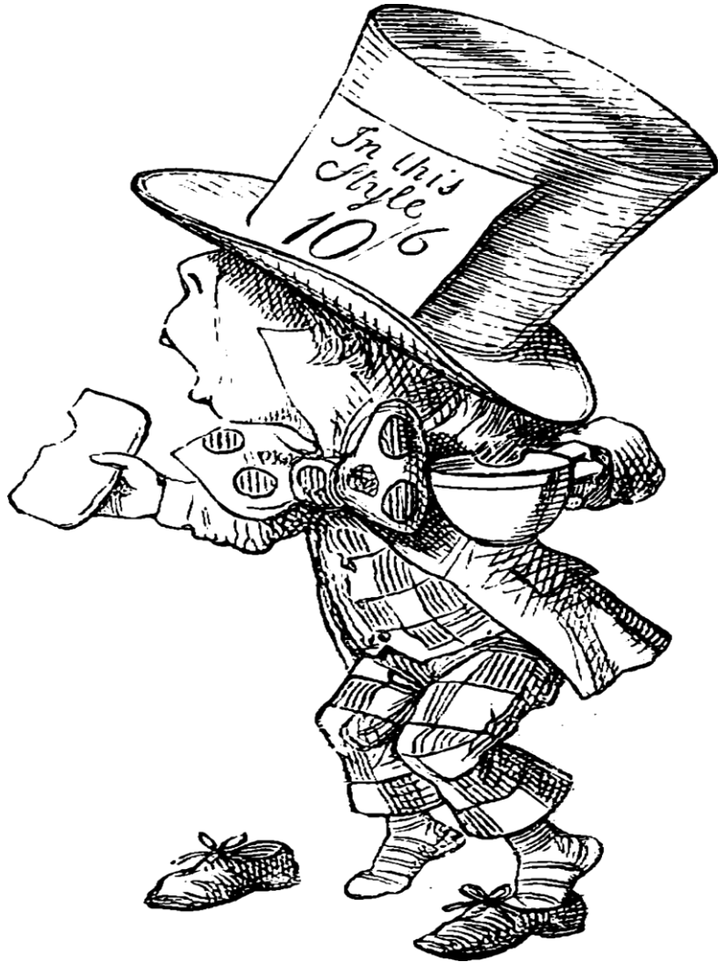
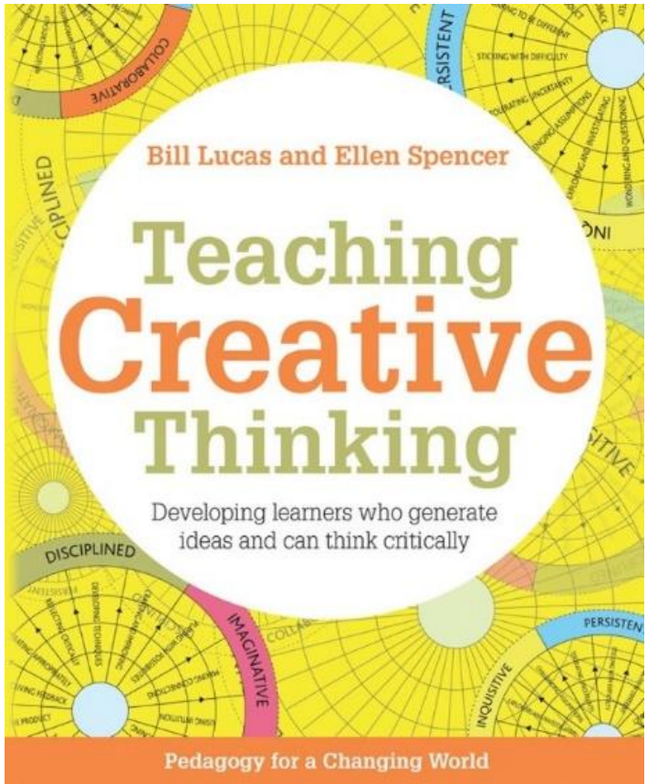


Alice:

This is impossible.

The Mad Hatter:

Only if you believe it is.



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