Supporting Content Through Literacy

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Follow along!
Agenda

- Define "Bridging" - What is it? How is it beneficial to DLI?
- Provide examples of Bridging the English and Spanish language
- Discuss ways to integrate standards in order to meet pacing guidelines
- Demonstrate how to prepare for vertical alignment across grade levels
- List suggestions of how to prioritize your time
What is "Bridging"?

- Beeman and Urrow (2013) found the following definition:

  The bridge is the instructional moment when teachers bring the two languages together to encourage students to explore the similarities and differences in the phonology, morphology, syntax and grammar, and pragmatics between the two languages, that is, to undertake contrastive analysis and transfer what they have learned from one language to the other.
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<td>Comparison of the sounds</td>
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<td>Comparison of sentence structure and language rules</td>
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What is the purpose behind "The Bridge"?
Examples of Bridging

- triangle
- square
- rectangle
- circle
- hexagon
- cube
- cylinder
- sphere
- cone

Veterans Day
Dia de los Veteranos
Celebrate in November
Celebрамos en Noviembre
Celebrate soldiers
Celebрамos a los soldados

American Symbol
Simbolo Americano
Bald Eagle
Aguila Calva
How does the Spanish model support bridging?

- Standard taught directly in the English language, reinforced in Spanish

- Cobb County Kindergarten ELA standard: Writing: ELAGSEKW2 Information/Explanatory: Use a combination of drawing, dictating, and writing to compose informative/explanatory texts in which they name what they are writing about and supply some information about the subject.

- Standard taught directly in the Spanish language, reinforced in English

- Cobb County Kindergarten Science Standard: SKP2 Motion: Obtain, evaluate, and communicate information to compare and describe different types of motion.
¿Qué hay en mi bolsa?
Dibujar y etiquetar las cosas.

- Paloma
- Papel
- Cinta
- Lápiz
- Plato
- Hojas de cereza

¿Cuántas cosas?
16 cosas en mi bolsa.

¿Cuál es tu plan?
Dibuja y etiqueta tu plan.

- Papel
- Pluma
- Cinta
- Lápiz
- Hojas de cereza

Estos son los pasos para hacer mi modelo:

1. Primero, obtén un plato.
2. Luego, obtén un cuchillo.
3. Entonces, túnale el plato.
4. Por último, túnale el dom.
Why is “The Bridge” Important?

- Students are provided the opportunity to connect the content-knowledge in one language to the other language.
- It is a planned instructional moment that is student lead.
- Bridging languages provides students with the opportunity to strengthen their knowledge in both languages.
The Strategic Use of Two Languages

According to Beeman and Urow (2013):

The instructional elements that come before the Bridge—developing oracy and background knowledge, reading comprehension, writing, word study, and summative assessments—are planned and conducted in one program language, the language of heavy lifting. During the Bridge, when students and teachers engage in contrastive analysis of their languages, the two languages come together. After the Bridge, extension activities are conducted in the other program language. (Refer to Chapter 4)
How can teachers plan the strategic use of two languages?

- Pre-plan for the quarter together
- Look at the Content Standards and pace them accordingly to work with your schedule
- The three components of pre-planning together are:
Why should I use language to teach content?

- The actions inside of content standards are language objectives.
- Therefore, the standards require language goals to be met and included.

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<td>Geographic Understandings</td>
<td>Independently describes the diversity of American culture by explaining the customs and celebrations of various families and communities.</td>
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How Can I Integrate Standards?

- Look at this standard below. What background knowledge do students need? What is the standard requiring of the students to perform?

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When teachers identify the verb prior to instruction, they can unpack the standard to scaffold instruction. By unpacking the standard, we can differentiate instruction to language learners.
# Planning for Integration of Standards

## DLI Content Planning

### Step 1: Pick a Standard/Assessment Standard

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### Step 2: Vocabulary—Look up the vocabulary listed in CTLS. Decide on words to use in Spanish.

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<th>CTLS English Vocabulary:</th>
<th>Chosen Spanish Vocabulary:</th>
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<td>Essential Questions:</td>
<td>Any areas of concern?</td>
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### Step 3: Plan the lesson with these areas: (Use CTLS)

#### Before the Bridge
- How will you explore and build background knowledge?
- What resources are available?

#### During the Bridge
- What phonics/literacy standards are you focusing on?

#### After the Bridge
- What essential questions can you ask to guide discussion?
- How will you review and assess the standard?
- What literacy standard will you incorporate?
- How will you extend students?
Planning for Integration of Standards

**Step 1: Pick a Standard/Annotate Standard**

| Standard: Describe objects in terms of the materials they are made of and their physical attributes. SKP1 |
| Challenges with Standard: - Sorting objects is a challenge for students at the beginning of the year. - Students need background knowledge in words used to describe materials (soft like a feather/cotton ball). - Students need exposure to 5 senses before observing. |

**What standards can you integrate to reinforce literacy?**

**Standards:**
Math-Sorting Objects into a given category
*Assess 6Kids Readiness Check as pre-assessment prior to instruction
ELAGSEKRL1-Ask and answer questions-
Describe the material
ELAGSEKRL7-Relationship between illustrations and vocabulary
ELAGSEKW1,2-Draw and label items and materials; Write story about a "material" and what happens.
ELAGSEKL4a-Using words to describe materials that may be similar in meaning
MGSEK.G.2,3-Shapes
MGSEK.G.4-Comparing Shapes

**Areas to support each other:**
- Use visuals to help with sorting. Model, model, model sorting and practice before assessing.
- Use real items to model and have students feel.
- Reinforce the 5 senses while teaching this unit.
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<td>- The teachers explicitly teach the new standard through vocabulary, reading comprehension, and writing. &lt;br&gt; - This does not mean you are simply pointing a vocabulary word and having the children repeat. &lt;br&gt; - Build background knowledge through the <strong>constructivists approach</strong> to teach new concepts &lt;br&gt; - Assess the standards in this language before bridging.</td>
<td>- Teachers plan a lesson on contrasting the two languages. &lt;br&gt; - Teachers can bridge the language in various ways by focusing on a specific linguistic area when comparing the languages.</td>
<td>- The teacher explores the standards through extension activities. &lt;br&gt; - This <strong>does not</strong> mean explicitly re-teaching the content in another language. &lt;br&gt; - Instead, teachers use the concepts of the other content to extend student through another learning activity.</td>
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Mini-Lessons:
- Read biographies and retell facts
- Write information in journal
- Compare and contrast in Venn Diagram the past and present

Mini-Lessons:
- Read stories about Creek and Cherokee Indians
- Write around with questions
- Compare and contrast the past and present
- Think, Pair, Share

Mini-Lessons:
- Studies Weekly with 3 Column Comprehension Chart
- Similarities and Differences T-Chart
- Venn Diagram to compare

Mini-Lessons:
- Primary Source Analysis
- Compare and contrast eyewitness vs. Hear say
- Identify primary and secondary sources

Mini-Lessons:
- T-Charts to record information
- Read aloud literature and biographies
- Map Flipbook Activity
- Venn Diagram to compare
Compare and Contrast Standards Activity

- First: Give a few minutes to read the slides. Then, we will follow the activity steps.
- Divide everyone into groups. Find the shape under your chair. Without talking, hold up your shape and find your group.
- Use the Venn Diagram to compare the grade levels you have listed on the standards.
- You will have approximately 1-2 minutes, then we will rotate.
- Think...
  - What similarities do you see across grade levels?
  - What differences do you see?
  - How are the mini-lessons similar?
The Importance of Vertical Alignment

• Vertical alignment correlates how standards progress across grade levels.

• By reflecting on how the standards grow across grade levels, teachers can identify priority standards and differentiate instruction.

• Understanding how the standards progress helps teachers to extend students in higher ordered thinking experiences and prepare them for the future.

• Students in Dual Language Immersion progress across grade levels. By looking at the vertical alignment of standards, the DLI Professional Learning Community can develop ways to accelerate and extend students.

• Reviewing the vertical alignment of standards helps strengthen your relationship with your DLI team.
Prioritizing your time

• Divide and conquer!
• Set boundaries and stick to schedules.
• Speak up about workload reality.
• When planning, focus on priority standards and integrate.
• Ongoing reflection and focus on professional growth.
Resources