

Does Teaching Kids To Get 'Gritty' Help Them Get Ahead?

Great Teachers Don't Teach

Chapel Hill teacher faces death by preaching tolerance

IPads allow students with challenges to play in band

Students publish annual tome of poetry

Program gives students real world experience

F.C.C. chief plans action on WiFi in Schools

One Key to Success: A Belief in the Future

Disrupting Class: Student-Centric Education is the Future

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Hot Headlines



Group Gab



Sentence Frames



CONNECT YOUR LESSONS TO THE REAL WORLD: REAL IDEAS FOR REAL STUDENTS

Curriculum Coding: Paragraph Connections

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In “Hot Headlines” we _____

_____.

(describe what you did), in order to make a real world

connection. The impact of making a real world

connection on my learning is that _____

This may help other learners by _____

_____.

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Lesson Plan Evaluation Tool

Review your Lesson, check off the ways it connects to each kind of real world connection, and explain.

Project Topics: Material that has ties to student life: *Students can connect to the real world through their project topics. That is, the topics themselves involve some expression of students' lives and identities.*

- Connects through Student Interests
How?

- Connects through Student Experiences
How?

- Connects through Significant Issues
How?

Interaction: Connecting through interactions with people and places: *Students can connect through authentic interactions with people and institutions within and outside school.*

- Improves the Real World
How?

- Relates to Audience
How?

- Interacts with Teachers
How?

- Interacts with Experts?
How?

Future: Progress towards a future goal: *Students connect through creating a presentation that helps them imagine or achieve a future goal.*

- Imparts adult and work life skills
How?

- Creates a Body of Work
How?

- Creates Images for the Future
How?