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Info sheet of Think-Pair-Share

Basic info

Methodology name: Think-Pair-Share
Also known as: -
Derived from: learning processes, CT development, cooperative learning
Author of the methodology: Professor Frank Lyman

Explanation

Think-Pair-Share is a collaborative teaching-learning strategy in which students work together to solve a problem or answer a question on an assigned topic in three steps:

(1) Thinking. The teacher provokes students' thinking with a question, prompt, or observation. Once given the topic and question, students should spend a few minutes THINKING about the question;
(2) Pair up. Students get into PAIRS to discuss the answer and identify the best answers;
(3) Students SHARE their results of the discussion with the rest of the class.

The method aims to maximize participation, focus attention, and engage students in understanding class topics.

How to demonstrate it

Example instructions for language teachers:

1. To promote a class discussion, use "Think-Pair-Share" (TPS) to help students discuss a specific topic in books they're currently studying. For example Hamlet by William Shakespeare "What do you think is the main message and the most important lesson of the book?"
2. Give students some minutes to pause to reflect and answer the questions. They can take notes but it is not necessary.
3. Ask students to work in pairs and discuss their answers to the questions.
4. After providing sufficient time for students to speak with their partners, select some pairs to share their responses with the whole class.
5. At the end, provide additional note points and a concise summary/synthesis of this activity.

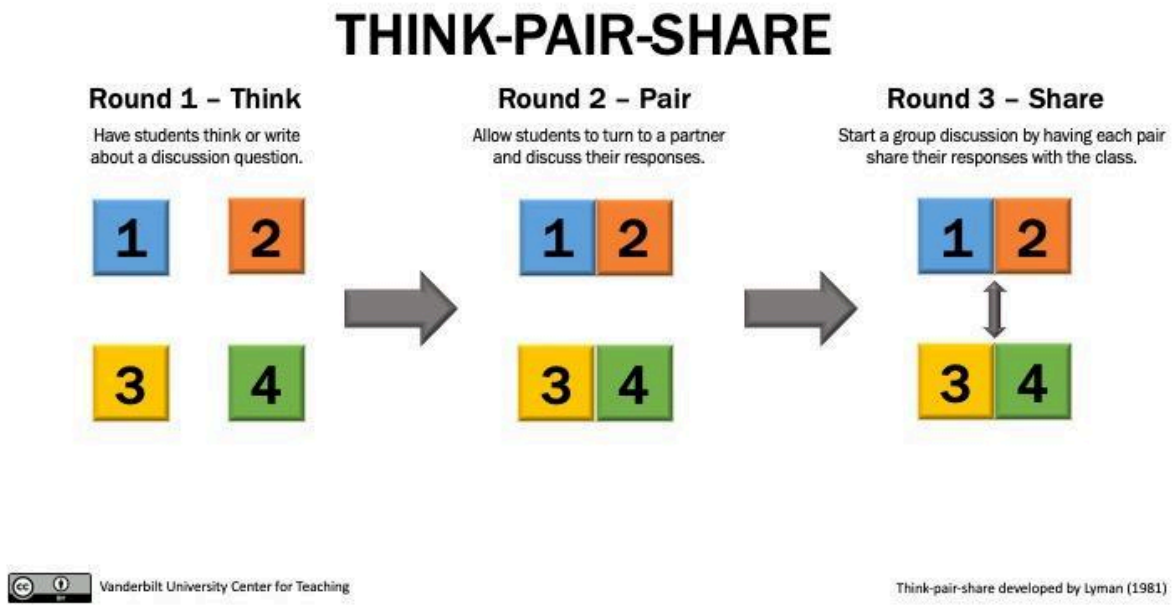


Image 1: Think Pair Share process

More info and sources

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