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CUDA 2021 Summer Edition Newsletter:

Posts from Lizzie's UDL File

In this fifth and last of our Summer Specials, Lizzie presents eight posts on universal design in learning. Whether you are a trained teacher or someone creating online content, it's important to be inclusive and accessible for all. The key point is to integrate UDL into learning right from the start. While Lizzie is focused on school learning, the concepts are the same regardless of the learning situation.

Getting Started with UDL

My pathway to Universal Design for Learning (UDL) was long and winding. I first came to Universal Design (UD) through architecture and the built environment. Discovering universal design felt like a deep breath out. It is all about designing with respect and consideration for all - designing with accessibility, usability, pleasurability for all who may use the building. It. Just. ...

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Smart Classroom Design

When well implemented, the UDL framework and technology combine to assist in smart classroom design. Universal Design for Learning (UDL) helps shape teaching and learning by focusing on flexibility. Making Your Classroom Smart: Universal Design for Learning and Technology discusses the three tenets of UDL. It then outlines how technology supports each of the areas to support smart classroom design. ...

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Purposeful and Motivated Learners

To develop purposeful and motivated learners, educators provide multiple ways to engage their learners. One of these ways is to provide options to help learners sustain their effort and persist with their learning. Checkpoint 8 in the Universal Design for Learning (UDL) framework covers this point. The framework explains that learners require support to remain focused on the goal they ...

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Making Learning Accessible

Although not COVIDsafe, one benefit of buffet-style eating is that diners customise their meal to their specific needs or pleasures. The diner controls what options they select in order to benefit from the experience. Similarly, in teaching and learning, learning content must be provided in multiple ways and be as customisable as possible. Representation in UDL is about making learning ...

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Collaboration and Community

"It is the long history of humankind (and animal kind, too) that those who learned to collaborate and improvise most effectively have prevailed." – Charles Darwin Darwin celebrates the power of collaboration in this quote. He notes its value in the development of humanity and the animal kingdom. The Universal Design for Learning (UDL) framework also celebrates collaboration as a ...

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The '80s Mix-Tape and UDL

Who remembers the classic mix-tape? Originating in the '80s, the mix-tape was a compilation of music usually recorded on a cassette tape. An essential for lovers and road-trips, the mix-tape provided variety, keeping listeners engaged! Taking the mix-tape approach and applying it to learning is the theme of this week's post. We focus on

Checkpoint 8 in the Universal Design ...

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It's a veritable feast! Feedback sandwiches, retell burgers and auditory sandwiches.

It's a veritable feast! Foody frameworks to reduce threats in learning. Feedback sandwiches, retell burgers and auditory sandwiches - so many options to nourish our learners. Reducing threats and minimising distractions is the goal of the Universal Design for Learning (UDL) guidelines checkpoint 7.3. Sandwiches and burgers are some examples that work toward this goal. The optimal instructional environment offers options ...

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Marie Kondo and UDL - What's the Connection?

You may well be wondering how Marie Kondo and Universal Design for Learning (UDL) have anything in common! Well, I could make an analogy about tidying up our teaching practice. Or, cleaning out old beliefs about UDL being for 'Special Education' only! But the analogy is that UDL and Marie Kondo are both about sparking something within us. This post ...

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