

Designing Effective Projects: Instructional Strategies Resources

Online and Print Resources for Instructional Strategies

There are many useful online and print resources to use as a reference for implementing effective instructional strategies.

Web Resources

Opening Classroom Doors: Teaching Methods

http://ali.apple.com/ali_sites/deli/exhibits/1000328/INTRODUCTION.html*

The National Board for Professional Teaching Standards showcases the Web site Opening Classroom Doors. This Web site of teaching practice features National Board Certified Teachers from the Digital Edge project in video from their classrooms. Each video segment and its accompanying text and commentary provides insight and a look into the classrooms of these talented teachers. The site has several instructional strategies shown through accomplished teachers in action, teaching, questioning, explaining, modeling, collaborating, and demonstrating the teaching profession at the highest level of quality.

The Virtual Schoolhouse

<http://virtualschoolhouse.visionlink.org>*

The Virtual Schoolhouse highlights project-based learning practices from across the country. The Web site focuses on both the principles behind project-based learning and the instructional strategies that accompany it, as well as the work of teachers and students who are making project-based learning happen in the classroom. The site provides a look into excellent work with tools and advice to help make project-based learning part of everyday teaching practice.

Print Resources

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