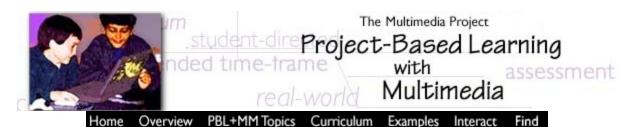
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Challenge 2000 Planning Guide

Planning Guidelines

What this is . . .

This sheet summarizes work done by groups of teachers at a MMP Workday, and represents the "state of the art" of the Challenge 2000 MMP Planning Guide for PBL+MM. At this Workday we discussed its content and purpose and arrived at a general consensus that this would be a useful document. We'll revisit and revise these planning guidelines based on classroom experience and our own progress in developing best practices.

Collaboration

How is the curriculum structured to accommodate and promote for each student:

1) roles, 2) contributions of, 3) access to technology, 4) opportunities to collaborate and make decisions, 5) opportunities to learn collaborative skills?

Student Direction

How does the curriculum provide opportunities and support for each student to:

1) define a project in own terms and in relation to class context, 2) engage in real-world research practices, 3) design effective presentations that take content and form into account, 4) engage in self-and peer-assessment?

Time Frame and Materials to Support Deep Understanding and Engagement

How is the time frame organized to provide each student adequate time for:

1) equal opportunity to participate, 2) effective collaboration and project development, 3) completion of complex tasks, e.g.: use of quality subject-matter resources, interpretation of content, 4) the design process, assessment?

Multimedia

How does the curriculum foreground the relation between media and content to support students in developing effective:

1) choice of media to support content, 2) use of design elements, 3) access to and use of media resources, 4) student planning/use of time with media?

Curricular Content

How does the curriculum establish and elicit content goals that are clearly:

1) articulated and understood by students, teachers, audiences, 2) related to standards which are defined in the curriculum, 3) supported by project activities, with a relation between process and product, 4) assessable?

Real World Connection

How does the curriculum provide opportunities for each student to develop and display evidence of real world practices of:

1) communication with a purpose, 2) collaboration/team work, 3) project management, 4) relating project and audience, 5) effective use of feedback?

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Assessment

How is the curriculum structured to capture adequate assessment based on:
1) standards that are clearly defined in the curriculum, 2) a variety of pedagogical and assessment methods, 3) student reflection and revision?

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