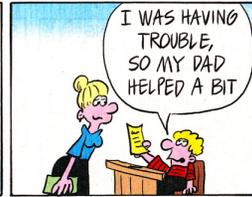


The Homework
Paradox

WIZARD OF ID

BY PARKER & HART





Who are we?

- Heidi Diercks - Math
- Michelle Elliott - Social Studies
- Jill Goldsmith - Language Arts
- Nancy Janke - Science

Why do this?

- This program puts more value on use of class time for the student.
- All work intended for a grade is done in presence of staff.

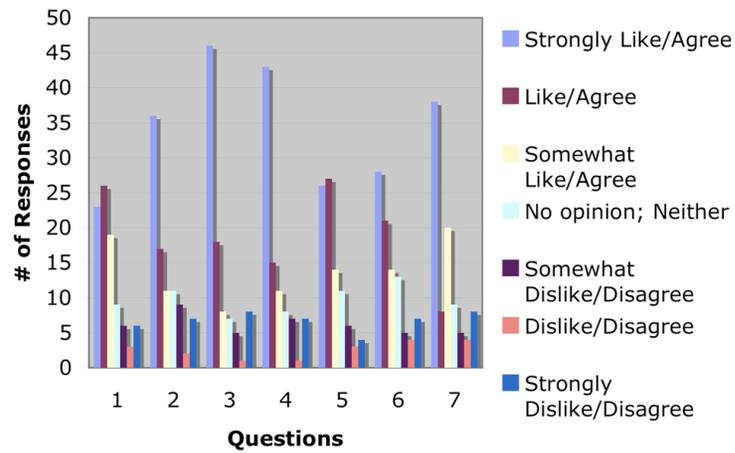
Advantages

- Authentic knowledge
- Reduces lack of equality at home
- Students take ownership in education
- Students not practicing wrong way outside of classroom
- Students involved in extracurricular activities
- No missing assignments or late work
- Reduce cheating on homework

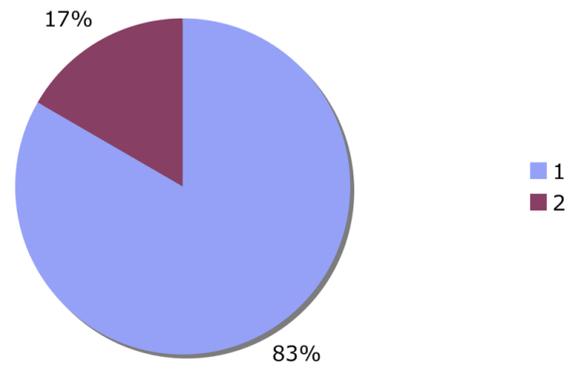
Issues

- Absent students
- Slow workers
- Time for longer projects
- Students have to learn how to study
- Poor test takers
- Announcing “No Homework Policy”
- Reactions of parents, students & teachers

Survey on Continual Concept Check Instructional Design



Average Satisfaction of Students



Student Reactions

- I think it was a good way for us to understand. It gave us more control over our grade.
- I thought that this was going to be hard and boring, but it was actually pretty easy and fun.
- It gives more time to fully understand the concept vs rushing through the chapter.
- The concept checks allow me to improve if I'm struggling a lot quicker and there's no homework making it less stressful.
- With homework, kids will actually do it to help their grade because it's required, being honest, I do not study at home.

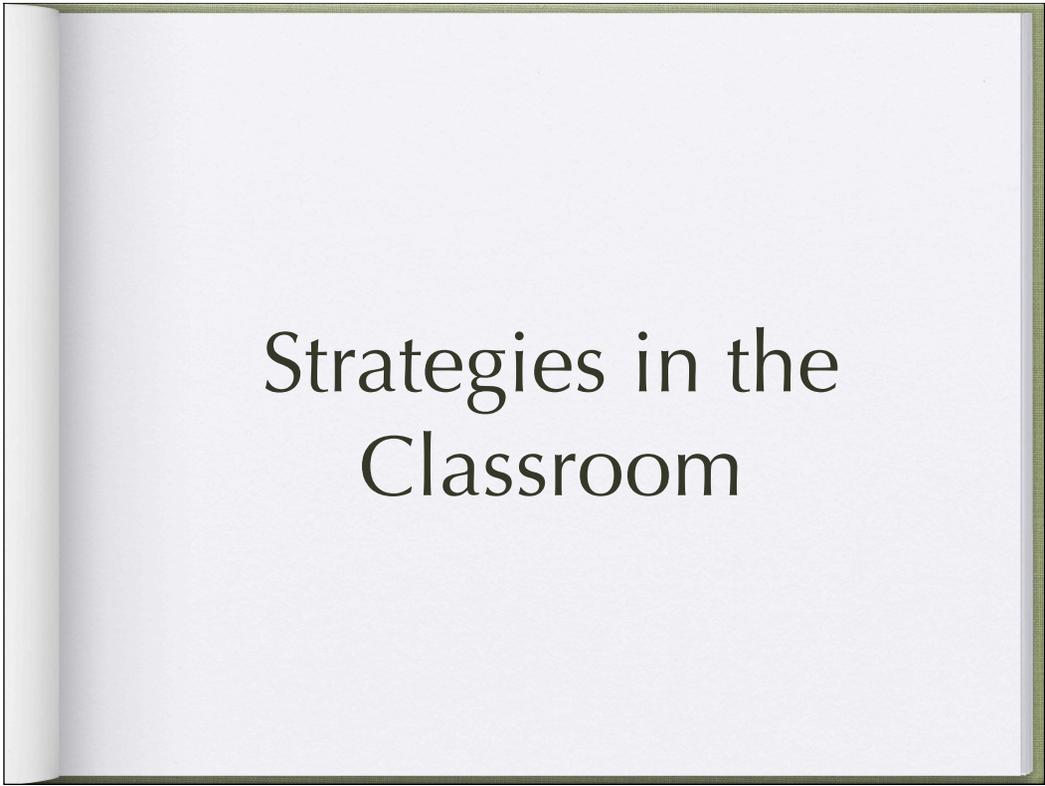
Student Reactions

cont.

- I like homework better because if you get a bad grade on it you can see what your doing wrong.
- I feel that you should do homework over homestudy but not a lot of homework, but homework does help you remember things & is not voluntary, homestudy does help but most people won't do it because it's voluntary.
- 1) I like homework just a little better because it helps me to do the same thing over and over 2) I love the concepts because it allows me to get the best grade I can without any restrictions

Implementation

- Focus on assignments that have impact on content
- More quizzes to check for understanding
- Plan for extra time for slow learners to finish
- Supply supplement work for faster students
- Extra credit for study guides, practice sheets, etc.
- Weighted grading



Strategies in the
Classroom