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# Introduction to Active Learning – Too Much Teaching, Not Enough Learning

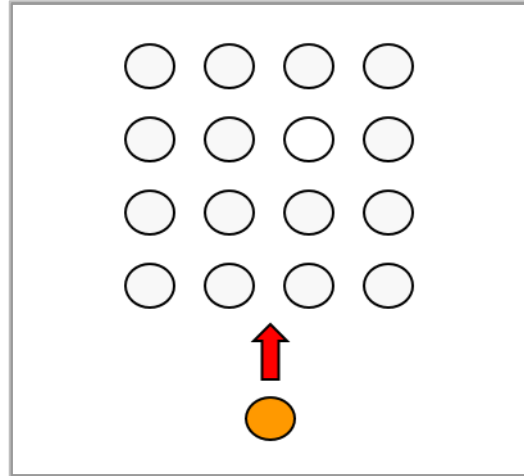
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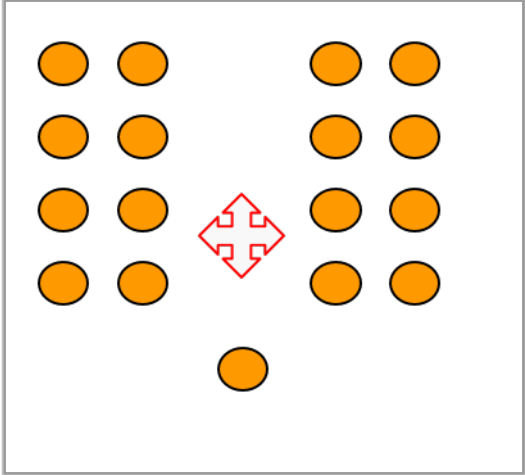
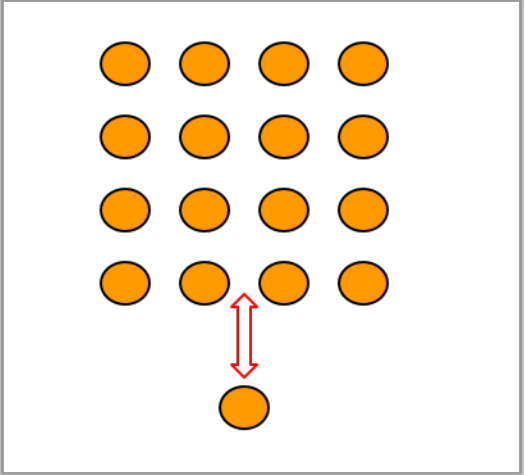
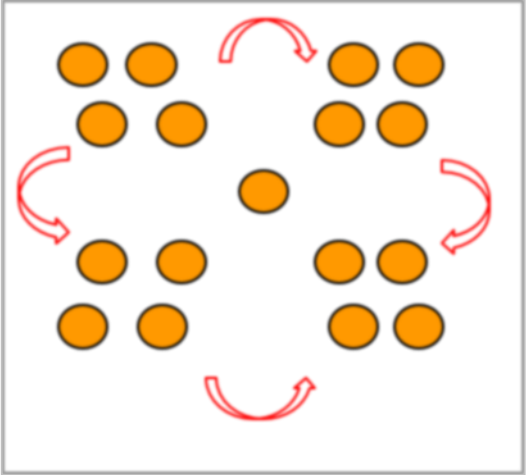
# Objectives

- ▶ Define Active Learning
- ▶ Consider options for integration of active learning activities into a class
- ▶ Understand the challenges and possible solutions for using active learning

# Passive Learning



# Active Learning



How many words do you recall?

- a. 0-2
- b. 3-5
- c. 6+

# Generation Effect

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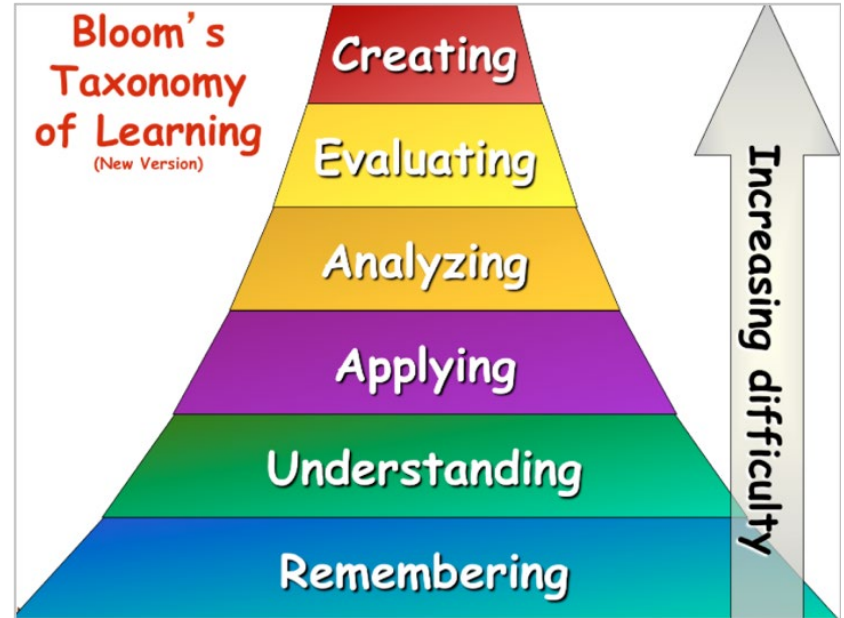
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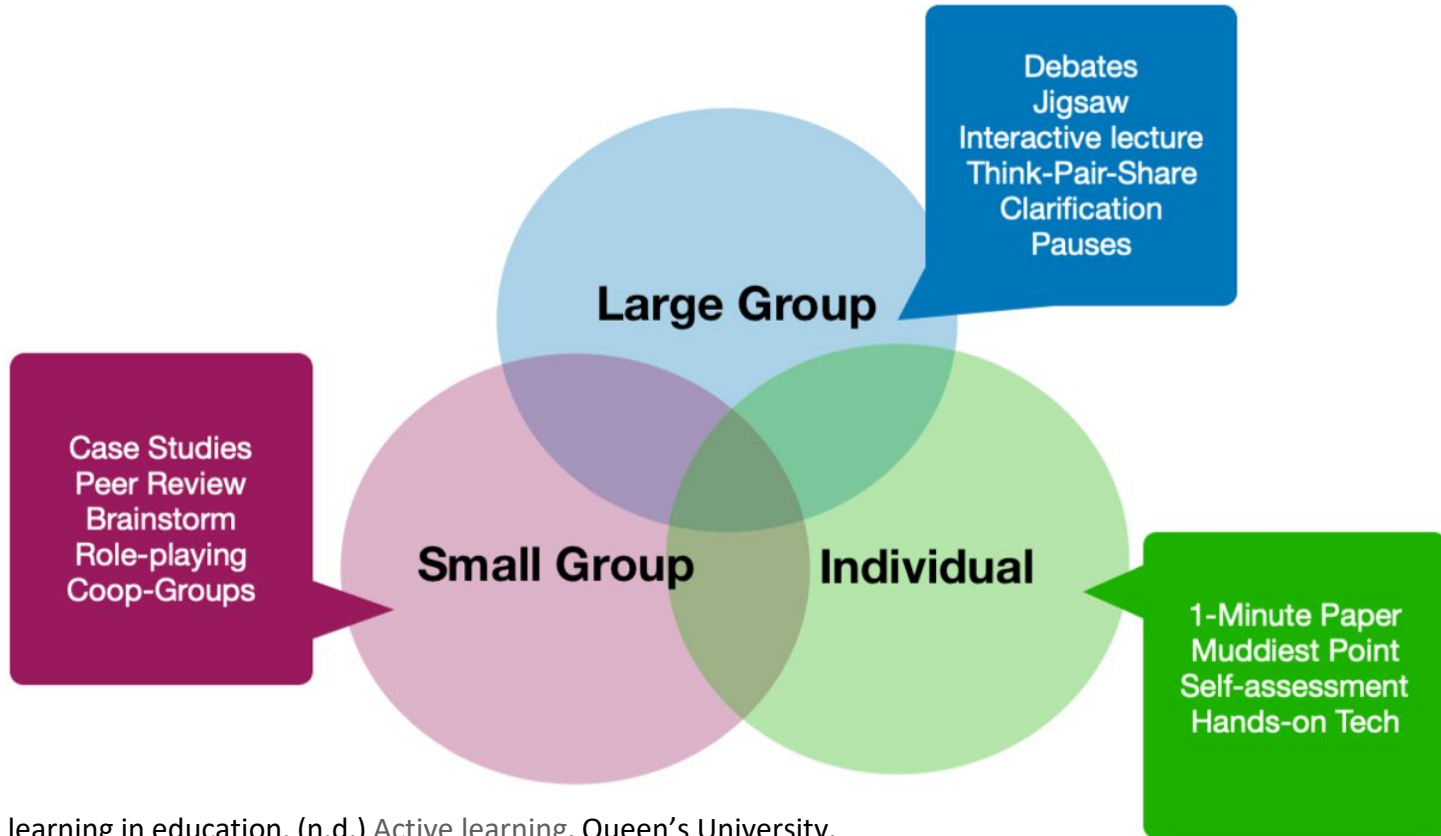
# Higher Order Thinking

- ▶ Active learning engages students in the process of learning through activities and/or discussion in class, as opposed to passively listening to an expert. It emphasizes higher-order thinking and often involves group work.





# Active Learning Strategies



# Some Sample Active Learning Techniques

- ▶ Muddiest Point
- ▶ Debate

# Activity:

## Evaluate and Select Active Learning Strategy for a Class - 1

### **STEP 1 - 5 minutes**

Individually review the handout and select one active learning approach that you feel may be beneficial for a course you teach or have taken in the past as a student.

*To consider individually:*

- ▶ *How could you apply this activity to the course material?*
- ▶ *What level of complexity is appropriate?*
- ▶ *What do you see students gaining from this activity?*
- ▶ *What would you have to take into consideration to facilitate it?*

# Activity:

## Evaluate and Select Active Learning Strategy for a Class - 2

### **STEP 2 - 5 minutes**

Partner, share, evaluate

*To consider as you discuss with your partner:*

- ▶ *What did you select? Why?*
- ▶ *Share with your partner how you think it might work in the course.*
- ▶ *What challenges do you anticipate having?*
- ▶ *Can you think of solutions to the challenges?*

## Activity:

# Evaluate and Select Active Learning Strategy for a Class - 3

### **STEP 3 - 10 minutes**

Share your selected active learning activity and possible benefits for students with the larger group.

*We will call on a few to share with the larger group*

# Strategies for Success

- ▶ Communicate your expectations
  - ▶ Give clear directions and guidance
  - ▶ Start small
  - ▶ Plan and prepare ahead
  - ▶ Questioning techniques
- ▶ Provide a debriefing and feedback
  - ▶ Maintain instructor presence and provide support

What are key barriers?

What specifically can you do to address these challenges?

# Summary

- ▶ Active Learning is a process of learning through activities and/or discussion in class, as opposed to passively listening to an expert.
- ▶ Some considerations for integrating active learning includes having a clear purpose, providing feedback, and maintaining instructor presence.
- ▶ Active Learning helps students learn because it promotes recall and deeper understanding of material.



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