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The National Science Foundation funded a synthesis study on the status, contributions, and future direction of discipline-based education research (DBER) in physics, biological sciences, geosciences, and chemistry. DBER combines knowledge of teaching and learning with deep knowledge of discipline-specific science content. It describes the discipline-specific difficulties learners face and the specialized intellectual and instructional resources that can facilitate student understanding. Discipline-Based Education Research is based on a 30-month study built on two workshops held in 2008 to explore evidence on promising practices in undergraduate science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education. This book asks questions that are essential to advancing DBER and broadening its impact on undergraduate science teaching and learning. The book provides empirical research on undergraduate teaching and learning in the sciences, explores the extent to which this research currently influences undergraduate instruction, and identifies the intellectual and material resources required to further develop DBER. Discipline-Based Education Research provides guidance for future DBER research. In addition, the findings and recommendations of this report may invite, if not assist, post-secondary institutions to increase interest and research activity in DBER and improve its quality and usefulness across all natural science disciplines, as well as guide instruction and assessment across

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natural science courses to improve student learning. The book brings greater focus to issues of student attrition in the natural sciences that are related to the quality of instruction. Discipline-Based Education Research will be of interest to educators, policy makers, researchers, scholars, decision makers in universities, government agencies, curriculum developers, research sponsors, and education advocacy groups. Education and Technology for a Better World was the main theme for WCCE 2009. The conference highlights and explores different perspectives of this theme, covering all levels of formal education as well as informal learning and societal aspects of education. The conference was open to everyone involved in education and training. Additionally players from technological, societal, business and political fields outside education were invited to make relevant contributions within the theme: Education and Technology for a Better World. For several years the WCCE (World Conference on Computers in Education) has brought benefits to the fields of computer science and computers and education as well as to their communities. The contributions at WCCE include research projects and good practice presented in different formats from full papers to posters, demonstrations, panels, workshops and symposiums. The focus is not only on presentations of accepted contributions but also on discussions and input from all participants. The main goal of these conferences is to provide a forum for the discussion of ideas in all areas of computer science and human learning. They create a unique environment in which researchers and practitioners in the fields of computer

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science and human learning can interact, exchanging theories, experiments, techniques, applications and evaluations of initiatives supporting new developments that are potentially relevant for the development of these fields. They intend to serve as reference guidelines for the research community.

This open access book examines how the social sciences can be integrated into the praxis of engineering and science, presenting unique perspectives on the interplay between engineering and social science. Motivated by the report by the Commission on Humanities and Social Sciences of the American Association of Arts and Sciences, which emphasizes the importance of social sciences and Humanities in technical fields, the essays and papers collected in this book were presented at the NSF-funded workshop 'Engineering a Better Future: Interplay between Engineering, Social Sciences and Innovation', which brought together a singular collection of people, topics and disciplines. The book is split into three parts: A. Meeting at the Middle: Challenges to educating at the boundaries covers experiments in combining engineering education and the social sciences; B. Engineers Shaping Human Affairs: Investigating the interaction between social sciences and engineering, including the cult of innovation, politics of engineering, engineering design and future of societies; and C. Engineering the Engineers: Investigates thinking about design with papers on the art and science of science and engineering practice.

Celebrating the achievements of Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) by highlighting

the promise of its future, this book presents 12 essays that describe how WAC programs have adapted and continue to adapt to meet new challenges. Essays in the book explain strategies for continuing WAC programs in an atmosphere of change; explore new avenues of collaboration, such as service learning and the linked-course curricula of learning communities, and predict areas into which WAC programs need to move; and suggest new directions for research on writing across the curriculum. After a foreword by Elaine P. Maimon, essays in the book are: (1) "Writing Across the Curriculum in a Time of Change" (Susan H. McLeod and Eric Miraglia); (2) "Accommodating Complexity: WAC Program Evaluation in the Age of Accountability" (William Condon); (3) "WAC Wired: Electronic Communication Across the Curriculum" (Donna Reiss and Art Young); (4) "Writing Across the Curriculum and Service Learning: Kairos, Genre, and Collaboration" (David A. Jolliffe); (5) "Is It Still WAC? Writing within Interdisciplinary Learning Communities" (Terry Myers Zawacki and Ashley Taliaferro Williams); (6) "ESL Students and WAC Programs: Varied Populations and Diverse Needs" (Ann M. Johns); (7) "The Politics of Literacy Across the Curriculum" (Victor Villanueva); (8) "Writing Centers and WAC" (Joan A. Mullin); (9) "Curriculum-Based Peer Tutors and WAC" (Margot Soven); (10) "Writing Intensive Courses and WAC" (Martha A. Townsend); (11) "Where Do the Naturalistic Studies of WAC/WID Point? A Research Review" (David R. Russell); and (12) "Theory in WAC: Where Have We Been, Where Are We Going?" (Christopher Thaiss). (RS)

The Future of Nursing explores how nurses' roles, responsibilities, and education should change significantly to meet the increased demand for care that will be created by health care reform and to advance improvements in America's increasingly complex health system. At more than 3 million in number, nurses make up the single largest segment of the health care work force. They also spend the greatest amount of time in delivering patient care as a profession. Nurses therefore have valuable insights and unique abilities to contribute as partners with other health care professionals in improving the quality and safety of care as envisioned in the Affordable Care Act (ACA) enacted this year. Nurses should be fully engaged with other health professionals and assume leadership roles in redesigning care in the United States. To ensure its members are well-prepared, the profession should institute residency training for nurses, increase the percentage of nurses who attain a bachelor's degree to 80 percent by 2020, and double the number who pursue doctorates. Furthermore, regulatory and institutional obstacles -- including limits on nurses' scope of practice -- should be removed so that the health system can reap the full benefit of nurses' training, skills, and knowledge in patient care. In this book, the Institute of Medicine makes recommendations for an action-oriented blueprint for the future of nursing. This book focuses on the practical implementation of evidence-based strategies that are supported by research literature. Chapter topics include an overview of learner-centered theories and strategies for course design and implementation, the use of

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Lecture Tutorials, the use of technology and simulations to support learner-centered teaching, the use of research-based projects, citizen science, World Wide Telescope and planetariums in instruction, and many other useful tools and methods.

High-impact Educational Practices What They Are, who Has Access to Them, and why They Matter Assn of Amer Colleges MTEL English as a Second Language (ESL) Study Guide Test Prep and Practice Test Questions for the ESL (54) Exam Cirrus Test Prep Cyber Security Engineering is the definitive modern reference and tutorial on the full range of capabilities associated with modern cyber security engineering. Pioneering software assurance experts Dr. Nancy R. Mead and Dr. Carol C. Woody bring together comprehensive best practices for building software systems that exhibit superior operational security, and for considering security throughout your full system development and acquisition lifecycles. Drawing on their pioneering work at the Software Engineering Institute (SEI) and Carnegie Mellon University, Mead and Woody introduce seven core principles of software assurance, and show how to apply them coherently and systematically. Using these principles, they help you prioritize the wide range of possible security actions available to you, and justify the required investments. Cyber Security Engineering guides you through risk analysis, planning to manage secure software development, building organizational models, identifying required and missing competencies, and defining and structuring metrics. Mead and Woody address important topics, including the use of standards, engineering security requirements for acquiring COTS software, applying DevOps, analyzing malware to anticipate future vulnerabilities, and planning ongoing improvements. This book will be valuable to wide

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audiences of practitioners and managers with responsibility for systems, software, or quality engineering, reliability, security, acquisition, or operations. Whatever your role, it can help you reduce operational problems, eliminate excessive patching, and deliver software that is more resilient and secure.

It's been a decade since Lynne Dorfman and Rose Cappelli wrote the first edition of *Mentor Texts* and helped teachers across the country make the most of high-quality children's literature in their writing instruction. In the second edition of this important book Lynne and Rose show teachers how to help students become confident, accomplished writers by using literature as their foundation. The second edition includes brand-new "Your Turn Lessons," built around the gradual release of responsibility model, offering suggestions for demonstrations and shared or guided writing. Reflection is emphasized as a necessary component to understanding why mentor authors chose certain strategies, literary devices, sentence structures, and words. Lynne and Rose offer new children's book titles in each chapter and in a carefully curated and annotated Treasure Chest. At the end of each chapter a "Think About It--Talk About It--Write About It" section invites reflection and conversation with colleagues. The book is organized around the characteristics of good writing--focus, content, organization, style, and conventions. Rose and Lynne write in a friendly and conversational style, employing numerous anecdotes to help teachers visualize the process, and offer strategies that can be immediately implemented in the classroom. This practical resource demonstrates the power of learning to read like writers.

*Communicative Language and Teaching in Action: Putting Principles to Work* serves as an engaging and informative guide for second and foreign language teachers in training or for

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those pursuing a new career as language educators. The text demonstrates principles and practices of communicative and task-based language teaching, equipping readers with an innovative and effective approach to language instruction. The conceptual foundation of the book is based upon theoretical and empirical findings drawn from second language acquisition research, cognitive psychology, and brain research. It emphasizes successful instructional practices in a communicative and task-based approach to language learning. The book features copious examples of learning activities in different languages and lessons developed by experienced language teachers. Dedicated chapters cover the principles of communicative language teaching and task-based instruction; lesson planning; vocabulary and grammar in language learning; feedback and error correction; the development of listening, oral communication, reading, and writing skills; and assessment. The second edition features updated literature review in all chapters, new and dynamic teacher-training tasks, and reorganized and fresh content throughout the text, as well as a new chapter on writing and language learning. Communicative Language Teaching in Action is an ideal resource for courses and programs in foreign language education.

This open access book focuses on how the design and use of innovative learning environments can evolve as teaching practices and education policies change. It addresses how these new environments are used, how teachers are adapting their practices, the challenges that these changes pose, and the effective evaluation of these changes. The book reports on emerging research in learning environments, with a particular emphasis on how teachers are transitioning from traditional classrooms to innovative learning environments. It offers a significant evidence-based global assessment of current research in this field by

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designers, architects, educators and policy makers. It presents twenty-five cutting-edge projects from researchers in fifteen countries. Thanks to the book's comprehensive international perspective, which combines theory and practice in a single publication, readers will gain a wealth of new insights.

Cognitive science deals with such questions as 'How do we think?' and 'How do we learn, memorize, dream?'. It tackles the subject of human mentality by connecting discoveries from a range of disciplines that shed light on cognitive occurrences and the learning process.

Cognitive science unites the fields of neuroscience, psychology, philosophy, linguistics, artificial intelligence, and social sciences. This book, aimed mostly at teachers, will provoke cognitive dissonance and intellectual unease, as it explores cognitive theories and allows teachers to update and internalise their 'in-head theories', embedded from their own school years. In order for this to happen, this volume provides information on new experiences of alternative teaching practices. Creating conditions for gaining these teaching experiences is the primary function and fundamental mission of politics in the field of education.

This book covers elementary discrete mathematics for computer science and engineering. It emphasizes mathematical definitions and proofs as well as applicable methods. Topics include formal logic notation, proof methods; induction, well-ordering; sets, relations; elementary graph theory; integer congruences; asymptotic notation and growth of functions; permutations and combinations, counting principles; discrete probability. Further selected topics may also be covered, such as recursive definition and structural induction; state machines and invariants; recurrences; generating functions.

'How Languages Are Learned' provides a readable introduction to the main theories of first and

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second language acquisition, relating them to approaches to classroom methodology and practice.

This book provides glimpses into contemporary research in information systems & technology, learning, artificial intelligence (AI), machine learning, and security and how it applies to the real world, but the ideas presented also span the domains of telehealth, computer vision, the role and use of mobile devices, brain–computer interfaces, virtual reality, language and image processing and big data analytics and applications. Great research arises from asking pertinent research questions. This book reveals some of the authors’ “beautiful questions” and how they develop the subsequent “what if” and “how” questions, offering readers food for thought and whetting their appetite for further research by the same authors.

Describes the essential elements of the incidents from the Whiskey Rebellion in 1794 to the Reconstruction that followed the Civil War and the ways in which federal military force was applied in each case. Includes: the Fries Rebellion, the Burr Conspiracy, Slave Rebellions, the Nullification Crisis, the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Riots, the 3Buckshot War2, the Patriot War, the Dorr Rebellion, the Army as Posse Comitatus, San Francisco Vigilantes, the Utah Expedition, the Civil War, etc. Extensive bibliography. Index. Full-color and b&w photos and maps.

This review of selected research on the practices of teaching and teacher preparation juxtaposes the models for conducting inquiry on teaching and teacher education with a synthesis of research on what is currently known. Chapter 1 presents several models for research on teaching and teacher education and presents some research findings according to categories of variables posited by the models. In the context of the Coleman Report and

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responses to it, Chapter 2 summarizes 22 effective schools studies, indicates 7 limitations of such research, and suggests ways effective schools research can inform both preservice and inservice teacher education. Chapter 3 presents a rationale for the importance of such investigations and reviews four recent studies on effective K-12 educational practice. Chapter 4 describes how inquiry on teaching has been conducted, presents some significant findings, and discusses both limitations and utilization of such research. Chapter 5 reviews research on teacher education according to four categories: preservice teachers, preservice curriculum and instruction, the education professoriate, and the context of teacher preparation. Chapter 6 summarizes the previous chapters and concludes with observations and recommendations. Each chapter includes references. (JD)

This edited collection brings together papers by eminent scholars who attempt to demonstrate how challenges can most successfully be ameliorated with an eye to enhancing the effectiveness of the processes of language teaching and learning. In Part One, emphasis is placed on challenges that second language education has to face, both those more general, dealing with language policy issues, and those more specific, concerned with instructional options in the language classroom. Part Two focuses on challenges involved in researching the processes of teaching and learning in the second and foreign languages classroom, both with respect to research methodology and efforts to tap some variables impinging upon the effects of instruction. Finally, Part Three is devoted to challenges involved in second and foreign language teacher education, the quality of which to a large extent determines the outcomes of second language education in any educational context.

After exploring his ocean home and seeing many different types of sea life, a young fish

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named Adri talks to his parents and learns that differences make the world colorful and beautiful.

Seasoned classroom veterans, pre-tenured faculty, and neophyte teaching assistants alike will find this book invaluable. HHMI Professor Jo Handelsman and her colleagues at the Wisconsin Program for Scientific Teaching (WPST) have distilled key findings from education, learning, and cognitive psychology and translated them into six chapters of digestible research points and practical classroom examples. The recommendations have been tried and tested in the National Academies Summer Institute on Undergraduate Education in Biology and through the WPST. Scientific Teaching is not a prescription for better teaching. Rather, it encourages the reader to approach teaching in a way that captures the spirit and rigor of scientific research and to contribute to transforming how students learn science.

In *Effective Supervision*, Robert J. Marzano, Tony Frontier, and David Livingston show school and district-level administrators how to set the priorities and support the practices that will help all teachers become expert teachers. Their five-part framework is based on what research tells us about how expertise develops. When these five conditions are attended to in a systematic way, teachers do improve their skills: \* A well-articulated knowledge base for teaching \* Opportunities for teachers to practice specific strategies or behaviors and to receive feedback \* Opportunities for teachers to observe and discuss expertise \* Clear criteria for success and help constructing professional growth and development plans \* Recognition of the different stages of development progressing toward expertise. The focus is on developing a collegial atmosphere in which teachers can freely share effective practices with each other, observe one another's classrooms, and receive focused feedback on their teaching strategies. The

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constructive dynamics of this approach always keep in sight the aim of enhancing students' well-being and achievement. As the authors note, "The ultimate criterion for expert performance in the classroom is student achievement. Anything else misses the point." As more English learners enroll in school each year, teachers and administrators are concerned with the large gap in reading and academic standing between ELs and students performing at grade level. This book addresses the language, literacy, and content instructional needs of ELs and frames quality instruction within effective schooling structures and the implementation of RTI.

The undergraduate years are a turning point in producing scientifically literate citizens and future scientists and engineers. Evidence from research about how students learn science and engineering shows that teaching strategies that motivate and engage students will improve their learning. So how do students best learn science and engineering? Are there ways of thinking that hinder or help their learning process? Which teaching strategies are most effective in developing their knowledge and skills? And how can practitioners apply these strategies to their own courses or suggest new approaches within their departments or institutions? "Reaching Students" strives to answer these questions. "Reaching Students" presents the best thinking to date on teaching and learning undergraduate science and engineering. Focusing on the disciplines of astronomy, biology, chemistry, engineering, geosciences, and physics, this book is an introduction to strategies to try in your classroom or institution. Concrete examples and case studies illustrate how experienced instructors and leaders have applied evidence-based approaches to address student needs, encouraged the use of effective techniques within a department or an institution, and addressed the challenges

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that arose along the way. The research-based strategies in "Reaching Students" can be adopted or adapted by instructors and leaders in all types of public or private higher education institutions. They are designed to work in introductory and upper-level courses, small and large classes, lectures and labs, and courses for majors and non-majors. And these approaches are feasible for practitioners of all experience levels who are open to incorporating ideas from research and reflecting on their teaching practices. This book is an essential resource for enriching instruction and better educating students.

Basics of Language for Language Learners, 2nd edition, by Peter W. Culicover and Elizabeth V. Hume, systematically explores all the aspects of language central to second language learning: the sounds of language, the different grammatical structures, the tools and strategies for learning, the social functions of communication, and the psychology of language learning and use.

This book is a shorter version of Developing Literacy in Second-Language Learners, reporting the findings of the National Literacy Panel on Language-Minority Children and Youth. This book concisely summarizes what is known from empirical research about the development of literacy in language-minority children and youth, including development, environment, instruction, and assessment. --From publisher's description.

This book is the output of the first UK Doctorates by Professional Record, who have studied present society needs, formulating and implementing new ideas into their practice, to make learning more holistic, relevant and fun! Their suggestions encourage us to reflect, review and refine our present, outdated systems and produce a blue-print for a brave new world. Stories will make you smile at successes and wince at the failures. Sharing experiences, supports,

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energises and expands learning. The authors hope that students will not leave school hanging on the negatives but will in future be swinging with the positives, that a radical new approach to learning brings for them.

Volumes in *Writing Spaces: Readings on Writing* offer multiple perspectives on a wide-range of topics about writing, much like the model made famous by Wendy Bishop's "The Subject Is . . ." series. In each chapter, authors present their unique views, insights, and strategies for writing by addressing the undergraduate reader directly. Drawing on their own experiences, these teachers-as-writers invite students to join in the larger conversation about developing nearly every aspect of craft of writing. Consequently, each essay functions as a standalone text that can easily complement other selected readings in writing or writing-intensive courses across the disciplines at any level. Topics in Volume 1 of the series include academic writing, how to interpret writing assignments, motives for writing, rhetorical analysis, revision, invention, writing centers, argumentation, narrative, reflective writing, Wikipedia, patchwriting, collaboration, and genres.

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When you Read Like a Writer (RLW) you work to identify some of the choices the author made

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so that you can better understand how such choices might arise in your own writing. The idea is to carefully examine the things you read, looking at the writerly techniques in the text in order to decide if you might want to adopt similar (or the same) techniques in your writing. You are reading to learn about writing. Instead of reading for content or to better understand the ideas in the writing (which you will automatically do to some degree anyway), you are trying to understand how the piece of writing was put together by the author and what you can learn about writing by reading a particular text. As you read in this way, you think about how the choices the author made and the techniques that he/she used are influencing your own responses as a reader. What is it about the way this text is written that makes you feel and respond the way you do?

Dual language education is a program that combines language minority and language majority students for instruction through two languages. This book provides the conceptual background for the program and discusses major implementation issues. Research findings summarize language proficiency and achievement outcomes from 8000 students at 20 schools, along with teacher and parent attitudes.

MTEL English as a Second Language (ESL) Study Guide: Test Prep and Practice Test Questions for the ESL (54) Exam will provide you with a detailed overview of the MTEL ESOL exam, so you know exactly what to expect on test day. We'll take you through all the concepts covered on the test and give you the opportunity to test your knowledge with practice questions. Even if it's been a while since you last took a major test, don't worry; we'll make sure you're more than ready Cirrus Test Prep's MTEL English as a Second Language (ESL) Study Guide: Test Prep and Practice Test Questions for the ESL (54) Exam includes: A

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comprehensive REVIEW of: Linguistics Theory Linguistics and Culture Grammar and Parts of Speech Language Learning and Acquisition Theoretical Models of Second Language Learning and Acquisition First-Language Considerations Stages of Second-Language Acquisition Student Motivation in Second-Language Learning Language Modeling, Comprehensible Input, and Scaffolding Literacy Instruction Instructional Theory Program Models Teaching Techniques Materials Classroom Management Assessment Tests and Standards Appropriate Use of Tests Interpreting and Applying Assessment Results Cultural Aspects Cultural Understanding Cultural Aspects That Affect Second-Language Acquisition English-Language Learners, and Teaching Cultural Awareness, Sensitivity, and Inclusion Professional Aspects Legal and Ethical Issues Role of the ESL Teacher Professional Development ...as well as a FULL MTEL ESOL practice test.

In this useful and practical book, Elisa Carbone offers a wealth of sound advice on how to deal with a large class, from the first day to end of term evaluations. Full of examples taken from many different disciplines, *Teaching Large Classes* will be an ideal companion for any teacher facing the challenge of the large introductory class.

Higher education is coming under increasing scrutiny, both publically and within academia, with respect to its ability to appropriately prepare students for the careers that will make them competitive in the 21st-century workplace. At the same time, there is a growing awareness that many global issues will require creative and critical thinking deeply rooted in the technical STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) disciplines. However, the existing and ingrained structures of higher education, particularly in the STEM fields, are not set up to provide students with extensive skill development in communication, teamwork, and divergent

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thinking, which is needed for success in the knowledge economy. In 2011 and again in 2014, an international conference was convened to bring together university leaders, educational policymakers and researchers, and funding agency representatives to discuss the issue of institutional transformation in higher education, particularly in the STEM disciplines. Central to the issue of institutional transformation is the ability to provide new forms of instruction so that students can gain the variety of skills and depth of knowledge they will need. However, radically altering approaches to instruction sets in motion a domino effect that touches on learning space design, instructional technology, faculty training and reward structures, course scheduling, and funding models. In order for one piece to move, there must be coordinated movement in the others, all of which are part of an entrenched and interconnected system. Transforming Institutions brings together chapters from the scholars and leaders who were part of the 2011 and 2014 conferences. It provides an overview of the context and challenges in STEM higher education, contributed chapters describing programs and research in this area, and a reflection and summary of the lessons from the many authors' viewpoints, leading to suggested next steps in the path toward transformation.

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