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Team-based learning Group work

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Team Based Learning

- 1. A micro-TBL session start
 - (usually 240 min, now 12 min)
- 2. Experiences of our group in 5 years of TBL sessions
- 3. Micro TBL finalization

A micro-TBL

- 1. Individually answer 3 brief questions
 - a. copy your answers on the card
- 2.

3.

Individual fill out the form

Group work

For your curriculum, please indicate

2. Assessment (encircle number)

1. Your country (encircle)

Austria - Belgium - France - Germany -Hungary - Netherlands - Iceland - Ireland -Italy - Poland - Serbia - Spain - Sweden -Switzerland - USA





Copy answers to card

1. Your country *(encircle)* Austria - Belgium - France -Germany - Hungary -Netherlands - Iceland - Ireland -Italy - Poland - Serbia - Spain -Sweden - Switzerland - USA

2. Assessment number:

3. Embedding number:

We collect the cards



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- 2. Discuss your answers in the group
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Discuss your answers

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Гeam-Based Learning™ Collaborative







• ESD Group



Purpose and Objective

Definition: Team-Based Learning (TBL) is an evidence based collaborative learning teaching strategy designed around units of instruction, known as "modules," that are taught in a three-step cycle:

1) preparation

- 2) in-class readiness assurance testing
- 3) application-focused exercise

A class typically includes one module.



 The purpose of TBL: develop maturity, goal-seeking behavior, group work and knowledge/skills



TBL (IEM) Set-up



Team-Based Learning™ Collaborative



> <u>General</u>

Teacher preparation

- Teacher prepares TBL with MC questions & group assignment
- Group formation (remains similar for all TBL) CATME

> Each TBL (±3 per course unit)

- Student preparation:
 - Preparation Substantial reading materials for self-study High level

Session (3-4 hours)

- Readiness Assurance Test Individual Multiple Choice (0.5 h., 20 questions)
 - Evaluation of MC group by scratch cards (0.5 h.) Fun, group forming
- Application-focused exercise Group work (2 h.) with in-depth assignment Usually poster

Afterwards

CATME group evaluation

Impressions

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- Readiness Assurance Test 1.
 - Individual MC in exam set-up Ο
 - Group MC with scratch cards Ο
- 2. Application-focused exercise
 - Continue with group assignment Ο



Name. Subject _____



IMMEDIATE FEEDBACK ASSESSMENT TECHNIQUE (IF AT®)





Test # _____

Total

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Score

IEM (RUG) TBL experiences

> Bachelor Year 1 (150 students)

- S1a (Global Supply Chain):
 - Mandatory

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- Close reviewing of posters
- S1b (System Dynamics)
 - Formative TBL
- > Bachelor Year 2 (120 students)
 - S1b (Production Planning and Control)
 Exploring specific subjects
 - S1b (Research and Design Methodology)
 - Practice method selection

In general four phases

- > I-RAT 30 min
- > G-RAT 30 min
- Group extensive
 assignment 90 min
 Works best with posters
- > Debriefing 20 min

Usually elements are graded

Experiences Design Group

- > Group sizes matters:
 - groups of six perform better compared to three
- Online version is possible
 - MC via LMS tool, including group MC
 - Poster via Jamboard, in Google Classroom
- About 1 teacher and 2 teaching assistants per 150 students.

- CATME is key to facilitate group work
- Challenging MC questions are key
- Student appreciate intensive way of tutorials
- Scale up/down easily possible Room size
- Lecturers experiences additional work, but definitely worthwhile











Make More Effective Custom Teams

CATME Team-Maker

Provide Teamwork Behavioral Training for Students

CATME Rater Practice



Allow Students to **Confidentially Evaluate** Their Teammates

CATME Peer Evaluations



CATME Tools are Backed by Extensive Research

CATME Research



Motivation aspects (Additional info regarding experiences ESD Group 1/4)

Intrinsic: Students actively work with the course material and engage with each other. The cases for the group assignment allow the students to apply their theoretical knowledge.

Social: With regular assignments, there are (some/many?) groups that split the workload and never discuss the overall picture. At the TBL, they are forced to meet physically and usually discuss the T-RAT and assignment enthusiastically.



- 1. Groups should be properly formed (e.g. Intellectual talent should be equally distributed among the groups). These teams are fixed for the whole course.
- 2. Students are accountable for their pre-learning and for working in teams.
- 3. Team assignments must promote both learning and team development.

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4. Students must receive frequent and immediate feedback.



Knowledge effect (Additional info regarding experiences ESD Group 3/4)

We bring the "theory of the book" with the case-oriented type of questions during the first two activities of the TBL. Furthermore, we design cases for the poster elaboration activity inspired by real complex problems faced by researchers or companies we collaborate with. It looks like the students can connect theory with reality.

The major knowledge effect for me as teacher is that students always prepare before going to the TBL. Otherwise, they would postpone studying the articles/book. So during the TBL they are supposed to already have the knowledge, and they can test their understanding by applying it to a case.



Experiences workload (Additional info regarding experiences ESD Group 4/4)

The teacher should know that preparation and coordination take 95% of the resources while execution takes only 5%.

When two courses are using this strategy, then two TBLs should not be executed during the same week. It represents such a workload that having two TBLs sessions during the same week kills the fun factor (bringing a sense of small lecture and learning in a social environment). Also, the interesting peer-review system that fosters team cohesiveness is replaced by frustration and CATME fatigue.



I-RAT - G-RAT - Group Assignment

Group assignment



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Group assignment (plenary)

Would TBL a suitable method for your program? Consider

- Motivation of students (intrinsic, extrinsic, social)
- Understanding complex knowledge areas
- Rehearse skills sets (methods)
- Position in the curriculum (organisation)



In summary: key features of TBL

- The purpose of TBL: develop maturity, goal-seeking behavior, group work and knowledge/skills
 - Rather than 'force' students to master a skill or pass a course
 - . Avoid summative grading
- Keep the scope limited: helps to set-up the MC and assignment
 A more complex deliverable transfers TBL to regular group work with a time/grade filter and a preceding MC test.
- TBL should be designed as much as possible around a closed learning loop within a session
 - Needs time for facilitating simultaneous reporting and discussion
- > Therefore: debriefing is a (the) key element of TBL
 - Emphasizes the main messages of TBL



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Thank you