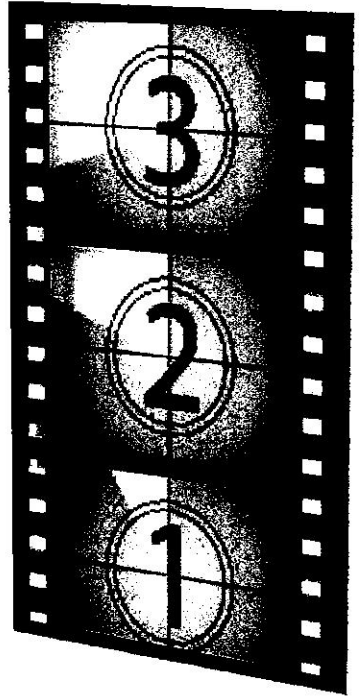


SI STRATEGY WEEK 12

3:2:1 OPENER/CLOSER

Materials Needed: 6 index cards per student, white board and markers, textbook and class notes.

- ✓ Use this strategy before an exam! Either before or after the session, have each student write: 3 topics that they know well enough to “teach” to the other students, 2 topics that they do not understand and need further assistance with, and 1 possible test question.
- ✓ Then, have the students write the 3:2:1 topics on the board. Most of the time, the students’ topics will overlay allowing students to “teach” the other students who need additional assistance. End the class with the discussion of the possible test questions.



3:2:1 Variation:

Instead of having students write their 3:2:1 comments on the board, distribute 6 index cards to each person.

1. First, have students write their test question prediction. Collect these cards now so you can go over them and choose the top 5 questions for an informal quiz as a closer.
2. Then, have the students write their 3 teaching concepts on the 3 cards. Collect all the cards and shuffle them.
3. Then, the students draw the cards at random and have to get the other students to guess the concept/lesson on the note card using clues from class or their notes.
4. For the 2 confusing topics, students write their 2 questions on two more notecards. Then, they complete a Q and A with a partner. Any questions left unanswered can be brought to the class as a whole.
5. Finally, give the students the informal quiz with the predicted exam questions they wrote at the beginning of class.

